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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1926

## MODERATOR <br> Allen Brooks Parker <br> SELECTMEN

Howard J. Billings Term expires 1929
Albert R. Jenks ..... Term expires 1927
Murray Brown Term expires 1928
TOWN CLERKHorace F. Tuttle
TOWN TREASURER Frank W. Hoit
ASSESSORS
Arthur W. Emerson ..... Term expires 1929
Henry L. Haynes ..... Term expires 1927
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1928
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
Howard J. Billings Albert R. Jenks Murray Brown
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles A. Durkee
TREE WARDENJames O'Neil
CONSTABLES
John T'. McNiff Jesse A. Briggs Allan B. Frost Craig C. Sweet
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Fred W. Green Term expires 1929
Horace F. Tuttle ..... Term expires 1928
Wendell F. Davis ..... Term expires 1927
SCHOOL COMMITTTEE
Spencer H. Taylor ..... Term expires 1929
Lulu L. Clark Term expires ..... 1929
Alice M. Carlisle Term expires 1927
Frank Toohey ..... Term expires 1927
Mary L. Richardson Term expires 1928
Edgar H. Hall Term expires ..... 1928
TRUS'TEES OF MEMORIAL LIBRARY
J. Sidney White Term expires 1929
Lacius A. Hesselton Term expires ..... 1927
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires ..... 1928
BOARD OF HEALTH
Raymond F. Durkee Term expires 1929
Frank E. Tasker Term expires 1927
George H. Tuttle Term expires 1928
TRUSTEESS OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1927
William H. Kingsley Term expires $19: 8$
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1928
TRUSTEE OF FIREMAN'S RELIEF FUND
Edgar H. Hall Term expires 1927
August N. Hederstedt Term expires 1928
C. D. Cram Term expires 1929
TRUSTEE OF GOODNOW FUND
Charles E. Smith Term expires 1927
Horace F. Tuttle T'erm expires 1920
Charlotte Comant ..... Term expires 1929
Appointed By the Selectmen
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Frank W. Hoit Alfred W. Davis James 13. 'Tuttle George A. Richardson Webster S. Blanchard
SUPERIN'TENDENT OF STREETSAlbert H. Perkins
TOWN ACCOUN'TANTHoward L. Jones
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Charles J. Holton ..... Term expires $19: 99$
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. ..... Term expires 1927
Edwin A. Phalan 'Term expires 1928

## ELECTION OFFICERS



## 6

FOREST WARDEN
Alan B. Frost

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS<br>Spencer H. Taylor Murray Brown J. J. Manning $\quad$ F. D. Cram $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hoit }\end{aligned}$<br>J. J. Manning C. D. Cram<br>SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK James O'Neil<br>POLICE OFFICERS<br>Chief, Alan B. Frost<br>Jesse Briggs<br>John T. McNiff<br>\section*{INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTER HOUSE James Kinsley}<br>TOWN FORESTER<br>Albert R. Jenks<br>DIRECTOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE Charles B. Willett

## Jury List

Revised August 16, 1926

Elwin Hallowell
Albert P. Durkee
Frank E. Parson
Spencer H. Taylor
Edward M. Little

Daniel J. Hennessey
Edward F. Nealey
Theron A. Lowden
Samuel B. Ineson

Precinct 1
James W. Coughlin
George S. Tucker, Jr. Howard B. Daniels Samuel E. Knowlton

## Precinct 2

L. Edward Laird William T. Merriam<br>Patrick J. Foley<br>Carl Flint<br>Samuel Jones

## Precinct 3

Allen B. Parker
David R. Kinsley
William Johnson
T. E. Estin

Hemry L. Haymes
A. N. Hederstedt

James A. Grimes
G. Howard Reed

John T. McNiff
Frank Bulette

# TOWN WARRANT 

## COMDONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.


To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County, GREETLNG:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1. Town Hall, Acton. Precinct 2. Universalist church, South Acton. Precinct 3, Fire House, West Acton, at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the Seventh Day of March, 1927, byposting a copy of this warrant by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said seventh day of March.

To bring in their rotes on one ballot for the following town officers:

One moderator for one year. one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three rears, three overseers of the poor for one year, one treasurer for one year. one collector of taxes for one rear, four constables for one year. two for sehool committee for three years, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial Library for three years, one tree warden for one rear.

The polls will be open at 120 oclock noon, and close at 7 n elock P. 21 .

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to notify the legal voters of said Town of Acton as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, March 14 th, at 9 oclock in the forenoon. Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committes and fix salaries of all town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not alreadyreported.

Article 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and grpsy moth.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see what smo of money the town will vote to defray the expense of plowing the sidewalks of snow in the three villages or act anything thereon.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health murse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Article 15. To see if the town will accept the High School Building or act anything thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the $\cdots$ of three hundred dollars, together with the mexpended hal-
ance of 1926 , for the maintenance of the town forest, or act anything thereon.

Article 17. To see of the tom will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,200.00$ for the purpose of purchasing additional land for a town forest and planting the same, or act anything thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to allow the use of the town hall by the pupils of the high school for the playing of basketball games, or act any thing thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to move the water fountain in West Acton from its present location to a location on Central street, between Massachusetts Avenue and Arlington Street, or act anthing thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount, and elect a director; the money to be expended by and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sctions 40 to 45 . Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, the same being part of the amount returned to the town under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1924 , for the purpose of setting out some shrubbery and otherwise beautifying the grounds immediately surrounding the monument to the World War Teterans.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to ask the Telephone Company to change the name of the local exchange from West Acton to Acton.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to have the Acton Public Health Committee consist of five members: one from the School Committee, one from the Board of Health, and one citizen from each precinct.

Article 24 . To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to employ one permanent police officer, for duty thronghoit the town, and appropriate a sum of money to maintain said officer, or act anything thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to round off the sharp southwest angle at Kelley's corner, and if necessary to aequire sufficient land to do so, and appropriate a sum of monertherefor.

Article 26. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for nime band concerts to be given by the Acton Cadet Band, three each in the rillage of South, West, and Acton Centre, or act anything thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on Prospect street in South Acton opposite the residence of Charles Hardr.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to install another light on the railroad bridge at South Acton.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to install two street street lights on Main street in the vicinity of the three houses recently built.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to install a water hydrant on Main street to give fire protection to the buildings recently erected.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to accept the gift of Mr. George V. Mead of a plot of land situated in the village of West Acton bounded by Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington Street and Central Street, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to appropriate by borrowing or otherwise the sum of $\$ 10,000$ or any other amount, to continue the construction of Main Street from a point opposite the residence of Frank E. Parsons to the State road leading to Littleton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000.00$ to continue the work of rebuilding School Street and Laws Brook Road, providing a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,000.00$ to complete the construction of Central street in West Acton to the village limits, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,000.00$ to continue the construction of Willow Street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500.00$ to repair and oil Hosmer Street from Woodlawn Cemetery to Crooker's corner or act anything thereon.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to take any further action in regard to the proposed new highway leading from Massachusetts Avenue, West Acton, to the house of Sidney L. Richardson, following the old electric car line location.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to purchase some suow fencing for use on the highways to prevent drifting of snow, and appropriate a sum of moner therefor, or act anything thereon.

Article 39. To see if the town will rote to instruct the Board of Health to provide a new dumping ground in Precinct 1 , and to abolish the present dump, opposite Woodlawn Cemetery and to have it filled in and graded, or to take ant action thereon.

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to reappropriate the unexpended balance of the School Appropriation of 1926 , to be expended on the athletic field, or do or act anything thereon.

Article 41. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to obtain lower municipal rates for electric current, or do or act anything thereon.

Article 42 . To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of moner not in excess of $\$ 2,000.00$ for the purpose of installing flush closets in the West Acton school house, or act anything thereon.

Article 43 . To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to care for the water, and make needed repairs on Church Street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 44. To see if the town will rote to consolidate the official boards of the town or act anything thereon.

Article 45 . To see if the town will rote to adopt the limited town meeting or act anything thereon.

Article 46 . To see if the town will vote to elect a High. way Surveyor by ballot, at its regular annual meeting, or act anything thereon.

Article 47. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to sell the share of the stock of the Boston \& Maine Railroad, held by the town for the care of the Phineas Wetherbee lot in Mt. Hope cemetery and reinvest the proceeds for such purpose.

Article 48. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000.00$ to run a six inch water line from the Maynard water system at the Maynard town line to a point about 1,000 feet distant and install two hydrants to afford fire protection for the Cellulose Products Co. at South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 49. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$ to repair Concord Street from Fletcher Corner to the railroad switch, or act anything thereon.

Article 50. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500.00$ for special repairs on High Street in South Acton from the Powder Mill dam to Fletcher Cormer, or act anything thereon.

Article 51. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000.00$ or any other sum, the same to be expended in resurfacing and oiling Arlington Street in West Acton, beginning at C'entral Street, and rumning easterly, or act anvothing thereon.

Article 52. To see if the town will vote to install two street lights on Maple Avenue in Acton Center.

Article 53. To see if the town will vote to build a Fire House in South Acton and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for same, or act anything thereon.

Article 54. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Piper Street in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 55. To see if the town will vote to purchase a Fordson tractor, and snow plow, or act anything thereon.

Article 56. To see what action the town will take regarding the provisions of the will of Jonathan K. W. Wetherbee, late of Acton, deceased, so far as the same relates to the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this nineteenth day of February, 1927.

MURRAY BROWN, HOWARD J. BILLINGS, Selectmen of Acton.

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Acton:
We herewith submit to you for your approval the reports of the various departments of the town for the year ending December 31st. 1926. Acting under Article 15 the board appointed a finance committee of six members, two from each precinct, the personnel of this committee will be found under the list of appointments made be the selectmen.

Under Article 17 this, board after several meetings with Boston \& Maine railroad officials were successful in having them repair with permanent filling the grade crossings in West Acton.

Under Article 18 we sold the land mentioned in this article for the sum of fifty dollars.

We recommend that the town avail itself of state and Comity aid in the building of roads, as only in this way can our town receive the benefit which is due us from our State and County taxes, and our just share of motor vehicle fees.

In continuing our road building program the money appropriated in our opinion should be roted for such roads as the State and County will contribute like amounts for, in this way if our appropriation is ten thousand dollars the State and County will each give us a like amount, and we will soon have our roads in first class shape.

We strongly advise against taking up any new projects in road construction until the present ones are completed. We now have partially finished four roads as follows: Main Street in Acton Centre, School Street in South Acton, and Central and Willow Streets in West Acton.

The greater part of Main Street is in very bad condition and the expense of maintenance in this section is very heavy, we strongly advise the town to contimue the construction of this road this year.

The matter of snow removal seems to be generally satisfactory, and we feel that the majority of our citizens approve of this work being continued even though the expense is a little heavier than the old method.

Respertfully submitted,

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births
Whole number recorded ..... 33
Born in Acton 13 Native parentage ..... 23
Males 19Foreign parentage ..... 4
Females 14Mixed parentage ..... 6
Marriages
Whole number recorded ..... 26
Residents of Acton 33 Residents of other places ..... 19
Deaths
While number recorded ..... 44
Residents of Acton 41Residents of other places. ..... 3
Occurring in Acton 38 Occurring in other places ..... 6
Average age in years, 65.
The town clerk requests information of any errors or omissions in the list of births, marriages and deaths. The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish blanks for the return of births and deaths.

HORACE F. TUTTLE<br>TownClerk.

Births Registered in 1926
Name of Child Name of Parents
 ('haplin, Marold Francis. ('lesbrongh, Ruth Arleen Conrville, IHelen Irene. Durkin, Ruth Janet. Elliott, Mildred Lonise. . Farrell, Francis Andrew Fee, Gloria Amir. Hardy, Richard Melvin. Harmden, Phyllis Jean. Holm, Mildred Ethel Ermest F. and Blanche (i. (Farris) Latvig and Mabel J. (Monson)



Marriages Registered in 1926



Acton
Pepperell
Acton
Acton
Maynard
Acton
Malden
Malden
West Roxbury
Acton
Acton
Maynard
Acton
Wakefield
Acton
Acton
Mexboro
Acton
Acton
Pepperell
Acton
Somerville
Acton
Aeton
Maynard
Acton
Wells, Leonard R. D. ..................
Lawrence, (Carey Florence Winifred
Whitney, Milton Chester . . . . . . . . .
Ellsworth, Doris Grace . . . . . . . . .
Iturley, James Jeremiah . Carr, Mildred Mary ...... Littlefield, Ralph Franklin Moore, Ethel Frances Lydon, John ('larke, Sadie ....... Molenaor, Clifford D. Welsh, Grace $A$.

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& \text { Nelson, Emery Daniel . . . . . . . . } \\
& \text { Christofferson, Margaret . Jennie }
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$$ Penney, George Chester Nelson, Marie Christine Price. Clifford Abel Robbins. Thelma Rayfuse, James R. Flynn, Edith M.... Tuttle, Edith Sophia 'Tucker, Lawrence Irving' Carr, Bertha Gertrude . 'Tuttle, Harlan Emer! Phillips, Gertrude Clara Maynard Aeton

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## Acton

Concord
Maynard
Wakefield

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## Deaths Registered in 1926

Date of Age
No. DeathYrs. Mos. Days

1. Nov. 27. Akers, Fred Eugene ..... 68
2. Dec. 7. Applerard, Fred ..... 64
3. Sept. 5. Blanchard, Charles ..... 83t. Sept. 28. Brindley, Merle Wesley
63
4. June 28. Callan, Bridget Mary
70
5. Nov. 9. Campbell, Daniel
80
80
6. Dec. 13. Clare, James P.
70
7. Sept. 2. Edwards, Rhoda
77
8. Oct. 2. Emerson, Willis Kimball
80
9. Nov. 27. Emerr, Franklin Eaton ..... 10 ..... i
10. Jan. 10. Farrand, Eldora Harriet ..... 6.5 ..... 17
11. Dec. 9. Feltus, John Reuben ..... 7. ..... 29
12. June 7. Fletcher, Silas Taylor ..... 72
3 ..... 19
13. Nov. 10. Fiske, Mary Hattie ..... 65 ..... 10 .....
14. Apr. 13. Holbrook, George W ..... 46
15. Apr. 19. Hollowell, Amnie L. ..... 7.5 ..... 10
16. May 3. Hollowell. William T. ..... 81
17. Aug. 4. Hosmer, Mary Augusta ..... 86
18. May 6. Hurley, James ..... 67
19. Ang. 19. Joy, Alonzo ..... 85
20. Aug. 1. Knowlton, Octavus Analdo ..... 68 ..... 17
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21. Dec. 15. Knowlton, Lizzie Etta ..... 66
22. Larrabee,$4 \quad 23$9 -
23. Mar. 5. Maynard, Zoa ..... 83 ..... 1811
4 ..... 1325. Jan. 14. Mead, Charles Henry68
24. Oct. 10. Mead. Effi R. ..... 66
25. Apr. 3. Middleton, Willis P. ..... 36
26. Dec. 18. Pendergast, Frank ..... 58
27. Sept. 22. Polep, Charles L. ..... 55
28. Dec. 2. Robbins, C'ora ..... ธ5
29. Feb. 14. Sias, Frederick J. ..... 20
30. Jan. 10. Stevens, Lucinda ..... 8133. June 25. Taplin, Emily Cook84
31. May 15. Twitchell. Charles Stanley ..... 90
32. Apr. 24. Wetherbee, Ellen Augusta
83
83
33. July 28. Wetherbee, Fannie Etta ..... 76 ..... 14101112027
16 ..... 7 ..... 68

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15
3 ..... 10251379. Wetherbe
Wood94
38. Dec. 22. Whitner, Eliza ..... 83
39. Oct. 1. Wood, Nellie Syrbilla ..... 49
37. Jan. 9. Wetherbee, Jonathan Kimball1
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40. Sept. 7. Znicewicz,7')-282-

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## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting Held March 8, 1926

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Allen Brooks Parker.

Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Chose, Charlotte Conant, Trustee of the Goodnow Fund, for three years.

Chose, Clarence D. Cram, Trustee of the Firemen's Relief Find, for three years.

Chose, Warren H. Jones, Trustee of the Elizabeth White Fund, for three years.

Yoted: To fix the salary of the Tax Collector at five-eighths of one per cent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be one hundred dollars per annum and the other members fift: dollars each.

Yoted: That the salary of the Moderator be ten dollars per meeting.

Koted: That the salary of the Overseers of the Poor be ser-entr-five dollars per ammm for the chairman, and forty dollar: each per ammm for the other members.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Treasurer be three hondred dollars per ammm.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Accomitant be three hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the Town Clerk be one hundred and twentr-five dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the Assessors bee three hundred and fifty dollars, the clerk three hundred and twenty-five dollars, and the other member three hundred dollars, per annum, the same to be full compensation for all duties. required by law, including clerical work and transportation.

Yoted: That the Selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Art. 2. To see if the town will accept the reports of the several town officers.

Acting on the report of the selectmen, page 11 of the amma! town report for 1925 , relating to the laying out of a town road in West Acton from Massachusetts avenue, following the location of the electric car line to Central street near the house of Sidney R. Richardson, it was

Voted: That the town accept the land, over which the Lowell, Maynard \& Acton street railway had a right of way:
from Massachusetts avenue to Central street, near the residence of Sidney L. Richardson, the same to be used as a public highway when accepted by the town.

Voted: To postpone further action in the matter until the next amual town meeting.

A motion that the annual reports of the town accountant and school committee contain an itemized statement of the pay rolls of the highway department and school expenditures did not prevail.

Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.
Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting.

Voted: To accept the report of the Nineteenth of April committee.

Voted: To receive the unexpended balance in the hands of the committee, to be invested by the town treasurer as a fund to be used for future observance of the anniversary of this day.

Voted: To discharge the committee.
William Rawister reported for the High School Building committee.

On his motion, it was voted to appropriate $\$ 1,689.84$ from the town Farm and Hapgood Funds for the use of said building committee.

George A. Richardson, chairman, reported for the committee on by-laws, the following:

## BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF ACTON <br> SECTION 1

Article 1. The annual town meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the first Monday of March in each year.

Art. 2. All business of the ammal meeting, except the election of such officers and the determination of such matters as by law are required to be elected or determined at such meeting, shall be considered at an adjourmment thereof, which adjournment shall be held on the second Monday in March, at such hour as decided by the board of selectmen.

Art. 3. The board of selectmen, board of health, fire department, police department, and the school committee, shall on or before February first of each rear, sulmit to the committee on finance an estimate of the amount of money required for their various departments for the ensuing year and for what purposes.

Art. 4. All bonds, contracts, and written agreements pertaining to the several departments shall be placed for safe keeping in the custody of the town clerk, except as otherwise provided bylaw.

Art. 5. All constructive work (excepting day-work) amounting to more than two hundred dollars ( $\$ 200000$ ) and except on
road work, shall be advertised for bids by posting in the several post-offices at least ten days before contracts are awarded.

## SELECTMEN

## SECTION 2

Article 1. The borad of selectmen shall have the general direction and management of the property and affairs of the town in all matters not otherwise provided for by law, or by these by-laws.

Art. 2. The selectmen after drawing a warrant for a town meeting shall immediately transmit a copy of such warrant to each member of the committee on finance.

Art. 3. The board of selectmen shall cause to be posted by a constable of the town, a notice of every town meeting by attested copies, calling same, in not less than six public places in the town, to be designated by the selectmen and at least seven days before the day appointed for the meeting.

Art. 4. No person who is a member of the board of selectmen shall hold any remunerative office by virtue of an appointment by such board.

Art. 5. No person shall throw in nay manner in any public way in the town, any article, substance, or material which may prove injurious in any respect to the hoofs of animals, or the rubber tires of automobiles and other vehicles.

Art. 6. No person shall place, or cause to be placed, in any of the public streets or sidewalks in the town, without the written license from the selectmen, any material whatever, or any rubbish of any kind and suffer same to remain for twenty-four hours.

Art. 7. No person shall break or dig up the ground in any street for any purpose whatever, or set or place any fence, post, tree, or edgestone, or alter or change the position or direction of any fence, post, tree, or edgestone, or swing any door or gate, in, upon, or over, or change the grade or width of any public way without the written license of the selectmen, which shall prescribe the limitations or restrictions of such license.

Art. 8. The board of selectmen will issue licenses at their discretion as follows: Gas-filling stations, roadside stands, common victuallers, all peddlers and junk dealers. All these subject to the rules and regulations of the board of selectmen.

Art. 9. The board of selectmen shall annually appoint a chief of police and such other officers as they may deem necessary and have the general supervision over the police department.

Art. 10. Automobiles and all other vehicles are subject to such rules as are made by the board of selectmen, which rules may be changed from time to time by the board when deemed necessary for the safety of the public.

## COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

## SECTION 3

Article 1. There shall be appointed amually (by the board of selectmen) a committee on finance, consisting of six voters of the town, two from each precinct.

Art. 2. No member of the finance committee shall serve on any other standing committee having the expenditure of town funds.

Art. 3. The committee on finance shall, as soon as possible after February first of each year, give a hearing to the several boards which shall submit to it, an estimate of the amount needed for their departments for the ensuing year.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

## SECTION 4

Article 1. The chief of police shall be head of the police department and subject to the general supervision and control of the board of selectmen. He shall have control of the department, its officers and members, and special police officers when in the service of the department.

Art. 2. The police department shall be governed by the rules and regulations and perform such duties as are prescribed by the board of selectmen, or by the by-laws of the town.

Art. 3. No person having the charge of a vehicle in any street shall neglect or refuse to stop the same when directed by a police officer. No person shall stop his team, carriage, or other vehicle, or unnecessarily place any obstruction on any foot crossing made in or across any public ways in the town.

Art. 4. The police department shall be subject to all the rules and regulations and perform all duties which are now or hereafter prescribed by law, by the by-laws of the town, by the board of selectmen, or the rules and regulations of the police department. Any member of the department may be rmoved or suspended or otherwise disciplined by the board of selectmen, as provided by. law.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

## SECTION 5

Article 1. The town shall maintain a fire depaprtment and the selectmen shall anmually appoint a chief engineer and three assistant engineers (one in each precinct) for the term of one rear from the first day of April following. This board of engineers shall have the care and superintendence of all propertyappertaining to the fire department, as required by law.

Art. 2. No person or persons shall allow combustible rubbish to accumulate upon any premises where same would
canse a fire menace to their own or other persons' property. No person shall set, maintain, or increase a fire in the open, except by written permission of the fire warden, or one of his deputies, except as otherwise provided by law.

Art. 4. The fire department under the direction of the chief engineer or an assistant engineer, is hereby authorized to go to aid another town in extinguishing fires therein in accordance with Chapter 48, General Laws, and amendments thereof.

Art. 3. Parking of vehicles is prohibited on any public way within fifteen feet of any hydrant.

## BOARD OF HEALTH

## SECTION 6

Article 1. The board of health shall make and publish from time to time such regulations as it deems necessary for public health and safety, and shall canse same to be printed in form for public distribution.

Art. 2. The board of health shall ammally make a report to be printed in the annual town report, showing in detail, statistics of the health and sanitary condition of the town with recommendations for its improvement, together with a full and comprehensive statement of its work during the previous year. Such report shall also contain a detailed statement of the amount expended by the board during the year.

Art. 3. The board of health shall provide and maintain under their care and supervision some suitable place or places within a reasonable distance of the villages of the town for free public dumping, upon which the inhabitants of the town may dump or deposit ashes, cinders, papers or other refuse and rubbish in accordance with such rules and regulations as the board of health may from time to time make.

Art. 4. No person unless having the authority so to do shall dump or deposit any ashes, rubbish, refuse, offal, or decayed animal or vegetable matter on any public or private land, contrary to the rules and regulations of the board of health.

Art. 5. All persons keeping hogs within the limits of the town shall be subject to all rules and regulations of the board of health.

Art. 6. These by-laws may be repealed or amended at any annual town meeting, or at any other town meeting speciallycalled for the purpose, an article or articles for such purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

These by-laws shall go into effect upon their acceptance by the town and legal requirements have been complied with.

Any person violating any of these by-laws shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars ( $\$ 20$ ) for each offence.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the by-laws, adopted by the town of Acton, at the ammal town meeting, March 8, 1926.

Attest:
HORACE F. TUTTLE, Town Clerk.
[SEAL]
Acton, March 12, 1926.

Boston, Mass., March 24, 1926.
The foregoing by-laws are hereby approved.

> JAY R. BENTON, Attorner General.

I hereby certify that the foregoing by-laws have been published in the Acton Enterprise three times in accordance with Chap. 40, Section 32, General Laws.

> GEORGE A. RICHARDSON.

Middlesex, ss.
Sibseribed and sworn to this 23rd day of April, 1926.
Before me,
GUY C. ROWELL,
Notary Public.

Voted: To adopt the by-laws prepared and presented by the committee.

Art. 4. To see what sums of money the towns will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to appropriate from cash available in the town treasury for
Roads, special work
$\$ 6,000.00$
Roads, general maintenance 10,000.00
Roads, removal of snow . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $5,500.00$
Street lighting
$5,000.00$
To appropriate for planking railroad bridge, South Acton
Cutting brush
1,000.00
Road bonds
10.525 .00

High School bonds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6.000.00
School bonds, interest
2,960.00
Road bonds interest
1.113 .56

Revenue loans interest . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,200.00$
Schools
$44,000.00$
Hight school grounds, grading ....................... . . $3,000.00$
Memorial Library, current expenses ............... . 700.00
Memorial Library, books 200.00

Hydrant service
3,100.00
Forest fires 300.00

Fire department maintenance . ...................... . $1,000.00$
Fire department, new hose 350.00

Shade trees, care of 400.00

General government
3,600.00
Enforcement of liquor laws .......................... 283.04
Buildings and grounds
Cemeteries
800.00

1, 100 .
Moth work .............................................. . . $1,269.39$
Memorial Day 300.00

Bonds, treasurer's and collector's ................... . . .
Police department . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 800.00
Board of health ....................................... . $1,000.00$
Military and State aid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
Reserve fund . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,200.00$
Unclassified 500.00

Demonstration work in agriculture ................. $\quad 300.00$
Poor department . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.800 .00
Town nurse
2.000 .00

Insurance of employes ............................. . . 450.00
Town forest ........................................... . . 300.00
Assessors, valation printing ........................ . . 00.00
High school building, from Town Farm and Hap-
good funds .................................... . . . . . .

Voted: To raise by taxation for town charges $\$ 75,000.00$
Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for Memorial Day.

Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars.
Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial Day.

The moderator apponted the following committee: Lowell H. Cram, chairman ; George L. Towne, George B. Parker, Donatus W. Benere, Charlotte Conant.

Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than October 15, 1926, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1, 1926, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from October 15, 1926, until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,269.39$ for moth work
Art. 8. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employes of the town or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 450$.
Art. 9. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds or ${ }^{-}$ act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 225$.
Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1926, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Voted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year begimning January 1,1926 , and to issue a note or notes, therefor; payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 11. To see if the town will employ a town nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the salary and expense of the same.

Voted: That the town employ a town nurse to be under the supervision of a special committee to include Mrs. Engene L. Hall, Mrs. William Rawitser and Miss Charlotte Conant, in conjunction with the school committee and board of health and that the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the salary and expense of the same.

Art. 12. To see if the town will purchase the two snow plows owned by the South Acton Improvement association for the sum of fifty dollars.

Voted: To purchase the two snow plows for the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Art. 13. To see what action the town will take towards removing the fountain from Quimby square and connecting the town water to the old stone fountain and installing a bubbler thereon.

A motion that the selectmen be authorized to remove the fountain in Quimby square, connect the town water with the old stone fountain and instal a bubbler thereon did not prevail.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars, the same being part of the amount returned to the town, under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1924 , for the purpose of placing a raised triangular memorial plot in the square at South Acton, conforming with the lines of the street, and place a metal light post using underground wiring for lights and otherwise reconditioning the plot or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to instruct the moderator or the selectmen to appoint a finance committee in accordance with the provisions of law; or do or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to appoint a finance committee of six members, two from each precinct.

Art. 16. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Patriots' Day ; or do or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 17. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to instruct the Boston \& Maine railroad to repair with permanent filling the following railroad crossings: Massachusetts avenue, Arlington street and Central street in West Acton.

Voted: That the selectmen be and are hereby instructed to take such steps as shall secure early action by the Boston id Maine railroad, in establishing a permanent level roadway over their tracks in Acton, at Arlington, Central and Martin streets and Massachusetts avenue crossings, such levelling to be made between the several sets of tracks as well as between each set of rails, as now.

Art. 18. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell a certain parcel of land owned by the town situated on the road from South Acton to Maynard near the Acton-Maynard town line, and formerly used as a gravel pit; or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the selectmen to sell, at their diseretion, the land described in the article.

Art. 19. T'o see if the town will authorize a re-valuation of all iaxable property in the town, choose a committee to carry out the provisions of this article and appropriate a sum of money for the expenses of the same; or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to extend the street lights on Massachusetts avenue from from Keller's corner, socalled, to Piper road and thence on said Piper road to the residence of Francis B. Farrar.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 21. To see if town will raise by taxation and appropriate the sum of $\$ 3,000$ for the purpose of grading the high school grounds or act anything thereof.

Yoted: To appropriate three thousand ( $\$ 3,000$ ) dollars for grading the high school grounds.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars or some other amount and elct a director, the moner to be expended by and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Sections to to $4 . \overline{5}$, ('hapter 128 General Laws of Massachusetts.

Yoted: To appropriate $\$ 300$.
Voted: That the selectmen appoint a director.
Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 3,000$ to complete the construction of School street to the Concord line providing the State and County will each give a like amount.

Voted: To take up for joint consideration Articles 23 to 34 inclusive.

Voted: To appropriate for general maintenance of roads and bridges $\$ 10,000$.

Yoted: To appropriate for special road work ( $\$ 2,000$ to be expended in each precinct), $\$ 6,000$ to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 3,000$, or any other sum, the same to be expended in resurfacing, draining and oiling Arlington street in West Acton, beginning at Central street and ruming easterly. See Art. 23.
Art. 25. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of moner to grade, gravel and oil Carlisle road, from Main street or Lowell road in North Acton by the North cemetery to the Acton-Carlisle town line or take any action thereon.

See Art. 23.
Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 7,500$ or any other anount by the issue of notes or otherwise to continue the construction of Main street from a
point opposite the residence of Frank E. Parsons, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Art. 26. Voted: That the selectmen be requested to petition the state and county, to complete Main street, from the residence of Frank E. Parsons to the State highway from Concord to Littleton, two-thirds of the cost to be borne by the state and onethird by the county.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to continue the construction of Willow street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex; or act anything thereon.

See Art. 23.
Art. 28. T osee if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to continue the construction of Central street in West Acton providing a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex ; or act anything thereon.

See Art. 23.
Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$ to gravel and oil the hill on Sudbury road from the Powder Mill office to the Sudbury and Acton town line.

See Art. 23.
Art. 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to repair Elm street in West Acton from Arlington street westerly to the residence of Ben. DeSousa.

See Art. 23.
Art. 31. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended in making repairs on the road leading from th town Common to the residence of Hemry L. Priest, called Woodbury lane; or act anything thereon.

See Art. 23.
Art. 32. To see if the town will raise and appropriate $\$ 2,000$ for special repairs on Concord road, from the church in Acton Center to Woodlawn cemetery.

See Art. 23.
Art. 33. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$, to repair and oil Hosmer street from Woodlawn cemetery to Crooker's corner.

See Art. 23.
Art. 34. To see if the town will raise and appropriate $\$ 3,500$, provided the state and county each will give like amounts for rebuilding Nagog Hill road, from Littleton line to Aeton Center.

See Art. 23.

## Abstrect of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting Held Semtember 29， 1926

Art．1．To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars（ $\$ 1,000$ ）for fighting brush fires，or act anything thereon．

Voted：To appropriate seven hundred（ $\$ 700$ ）for fighting brush fires．

Art．2．To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty（ $\$ 450$ ）dollars for the removal of snow or act anything thereon．

Voted：To appropriate four hundred and fifty（ $\$ 450$ ）dol－ lars for the removal of snow．

Art．3．To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of six hundred（ $\$ 600$ ）dollars for the payment of the salaries of the board of assessors or act anything thereon．

Yoted：To appropriate six hundred（ $\$ 600$ ）dollars for gen－ eral government to be expended in payment of salaries of assessors．

Art．4．To see if the town will vote to insure any or all of its buildings and appropriate money to pay for same，or act any－ thing thereon．

Yoted：That the school committee be authorized and in－ structed to reinsure the high school building and contents to the amount of fifty thousand（ $\$ 50,000$ ）dollars．Voted：To appro－ priate three hundred（ $\$ 300$ ）dollars for the parment of premium．

State Election，November 2， 1926
Party Designations：R，Republican；D，Democratic；S P， Socialist Party ；S L，Socialist Labor Party ；W P，Workers Party； M V A，Modification of the Volstead Act．

Governor：Pct． 1 Pct． 2 Pct． 3 Total
Alvan T．Fuller，R．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． $163 \quad 216278657$
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Secretary :
Harry J. Canter, W. P ..... 1
Frank W. Cavanaugh, D ..... 19
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Frederick W. Cook, R ..... 154Stephen S. Surridge, S. L. P.0
Edith M. Williams, S. P ..... 0
Blanks ..... 19
Treasurer:
Albert Sprague Coolidge, S. P ..... 1
Winfield A. Dwyer, W. P. ..... 1
Daniel England, D ..... 17
Henry Hess, S. L. P ..... 0
William S. Youngman, R ..... 155
Blanks ..... 79
Auditor:
Leon Arkin, S. P. ..... 0
Strabo V. Claggett, D ..... 31
Alonzo B. Cook, R. ..... 132
Emma P. Hutchins, W. P. ..... 2
John R. MacKinnon, S. L. P ..... 028
Attorney General:
Isadore Harris, S. L. P ..... 2
Max Lerner, W. P ..... 1
Arthur K. Reading, R ..... 154
John Weaver Sherman, S. P ..... 7
John E. Swift, D ..... 15
Blanks ..... 14
Senator in Congress:
John J. Ballam, W. P ..... 0
William M. Butler, R ..... 142
Washington Cook, M. V. A. ..... 3
Alfred Baker Lewis, S. P ..... 0
David I. Walsh, D ..... 4
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Congressman, Fifth District:
James M. Hurley, D ..... 23
Edith Nourse Rogers, R ..... 15
Blanks ..... 17
Councillor, Third District:
Charles Sumner Smith ..... 152
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Senator:
Joseph I. Holland, D ..... 21
George G. Moyse, R
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Representative in General Court :
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Edward J. Robbins, R
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County Commissioner :
Erson B. Barlow, R ..... 15.3 ..... $193 \quad 249 \quad$ 595
Blanks ..... 40
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Associate Commissioners:
Sherman H. Fletcher, R ..... $129 \quad 161 \quad 223$ ..... 513
John M. Keyes, R ..... 123 ..... $174 \quad 195$ ..... 492
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District Attorney:
Robert T. Bushnell, R ..... 159 ..... $199 \quad 253611$
Patrick J. Delanevi, D ..... 20 ..... $47 \quad 27$ ..... 94
Blanks ..... 14
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Sheriff:
John R. Fairbain, R ..... 158 ..... $208 \quad 259$ ..... 625
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County Commissioner :
Nathaniel I. Bowditch, R ..... 153 ..... $193 \quad 239 \quad 585$
Daniel F. McBride, D ..... 19 ..... 91
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Register of Probate and Insolvency :
John J. Butler, D ..... 29$48 \quad 32 \quad 109$
Loring P. Jordan, R ..... $185 \quad 247$ ..... 574 ..... 142
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Question No. 1:
Yes ..... $76 \quad 92 \quad 112$ ..... 270
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Yes ..... $\begin{array}{lll}78 & 63 & 87\end{array}$ ..... 228
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Yote for Representative 11th Middlesex District, November 2, 1926
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## Persons Having Dogs Licensed in 1926

Allard, Moses ..... \$2. 00
Duren, Delta B ..... 2.00
Anderson, Jolm ..... 2.00
Anderson, Rufus ..... 2.00
Angier, Ralph F. ..... 2.00
Armburg, Fred ..... 2.00
Banks, F. M. ..... 2.00
Baxter, Miriam F. ..... 2.00
Beach, Hazel ..... 2.00
Bedford, Mrs. A. E. ..... 4.00
Benere, Antonia ..... 2.00
Berglind, Edward E. ..... 5.00
Berglind, John E. ..... 2.00
Billings, Howard J ..... 12.00
Blaisdell, Lucile ..... 2.00
Bond, R. J. ..... 2.00
Bondelvitch, Walter ..... 4.00
Bowen, Robert M. ..... 2.00
Boxil, Mrs. Cyril ..... 2.00
Bradford, F. W. R. ..... 2.00
Bradbury, Rolfe ..... 2.00
Braman, James W ..... 2.00
Brill, Fred E. ..... 7.00
Brindley, (harles R.2.00
Brown, J. 1.2.00
Bulette, Frank W. ..... 2.00
Bursaw, H. W. ..... 2.00
Busch, Edward ..... 2.00
Butler, Horace B. ..... 10.00
Caldwell, Margaret A. ..... 2.00
Campbell, Leland H. ..... 2.00
Casavoy, Alfred B. ..... 4.00
Chaffin, Nancy S. ..... 4.00
Charter, W. W. ..... 2.00
Christoffersen, Allen M. ..... 2.00
Clapp, George E. ..... 2.00
Cobleigh, Mrs. William.2.00
Condon, Timothy ..... 2.00
Conquest, James E. ..... 2.00
Cook, David5.00
Coughlin, Harold J. ..... 4.00
Davis, Wendell F ..... 7.00
Dean, Mrs. Thomas ..... 2.00
Densmore, Joseph A. ..... 2.00
DeSousa, Ben ..... 2.00
Doyle, Henry K. 4.00
Edney, Charles F. ..... 2.00
Enneguess, Michael ..... 4.00
Evans, Joln H ..... 7.00
Farrar, Frank B. ..... 2.00
Farrar, J. (Maple St.) ..... 2.00
Fee, Mrs. Frank ..... 2.00
Fisher, Austin W. ..... 2.00
Fitzgerald, James ..... 2.00
Flagg, Alden ..... 4.00
Fletcher, Charles J. ..... 2.00
Fobes, J. Edwin ..... $2.01)$
Foley, Patrick ..... 2.00
Ford, Isaac S. ..... 2.00
Freeman, George ..... 2.00
Freeman, Mather ..... 2.00
Freeman, Richard ..... 5.00
French, ('. H. ..... 2.00
French, James H. ..... $2.0(0$
Frost, Alan 13. ..... 5.00
Fullonton, Llewellyn T T ..... 4.00
Gallagher, Howard V... ..... 2.01
Gallant. Mildred ..... 2.00
Gates, James N. ..... 2.00
Gibbs, Harriet E. ..... 2.00
Gould, Paul ..... 2.00
Goward, Amnie R. ..... 5.00
Green, Catherine ..... 2.00
Grenon, N. J. ..... 2.00
Griffin, Franklin E. ..... 7.00
Hall, Irwin ..... 5.0 ?
Hall, Mary Farrell ..... 2.00
Hanscom, Walter ..... 2.00
Hastings, Lewis C. ..... 2.00
Haver, H ..... 5.00
Hayes, Michael (i. ..... 2.00
Haynes, Albert L . ..... 2.00
Hayward Georqe K. ..... 2.011
Holbrook, F. A. ..... 5.00
Holden, F. H. ..... 2.06
Holland, John ..... 2.(0)
Hollowell, Elwin ..... 5.00
Holt, Harry E. ..... 2.00
Howe, O. H. ..... 2.00
Hurler, James J. ..... 2.00
Jones, Karl R. ..... 2.04
Prentiss, A. S. ..... 2.00
Jones, Warren H. ..... 2.00
Kennedy, Duncan S. ..... 2.00
Kemp, Mrs. H. M. ..... 2.00
Kilmratin, William T. ..... $5.0(i$
Knowlton, Helen A. ..... 2.00
Knowlton, Samuel ..... 2.00
Laffin, Sidney 0 . ..... 2.00
LaRoche, Arthur ..... 12.00
Larrabee, George W. ..... 5.00
Larsen, Jorgen ..... 5.00
Lears, William ..... 2.002.00
Livermore, William J ..... 2.00MacFawn, Vivian P.2.00
MacGregor, H. S. ..... 2.00
Mackinion. F. R. ..... 5.01
Marsh, A. W. ..... 2.00
Mason, Bertha ..... 2.00
Mason, Roger ..... 9.00
May, Francis A. ..... 2.00
McDonald, D. F. ..... 2.00
Mekkelsen, Ida ..... 2.00
Mekkelsen, Thora ..... 2.00
TIel, Eleanor ..... 2.00
Middleton, Willis J. ..... 5.00
Morrison, Alexander ..... 5.00
Morrison, Frederick D ..... 5.00
Muise. Joseph ..... 4.00
Munn, William ..... 2.00
Murgatroyd, James ..... 5.00
Nealey, Edward F. ..... 2.00
Vewell, L F. ..... 5.00
Newell, P. S ..... 2.00
O Neil, James ..... 10.00
0 Oeil, Richard ..... 10.00
Packard, James B. ..... 200
Parker, Edith M. ..... 2.00
Parsons, R. L. ..... 5.00
Pedersen, John ..... 5.00
Pemer, D. F. ..... $+.00$
Penner, John ..... 7.00
Perkins. A. Hazelton ..... 2.00
Perkins, Levi $W$. ..... 2.00
Peterson, ('arl N. ..... 2.00
Phillips, Andrew ..... 2.00
Pratt, Edward F. ..... 2.00
Pratt, Herbert T. 5.00
Priest, Henry L. ..... 2.00
Pope, Benj. ..... 4.00
Rawitser, William ..... 2.00
Rayner, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Reed, G. Howard ..... 2.00
Reed, Otis .J ..... 2.00
Reid, Robert A., 3rd ..... 2.00
Rernolds, Harold R. ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Jesse C. ..... 2.00
Richardson, George 1 . ..... 2.06
Rich, L. A. ..... 2.00
Roche, Francis B. ..... 2.00
Rugg, George ..... 2.00
Russell, Mrs. John H. ..... 2.00
Sanborn, Everett R. ..... 5.00
Sawyer, Benjamin H. ..... 2.00
Scanlon, William J ..... 2.00
Schofield, Harris C. ..... 10.00
Scott, T. A. ..... 2.00
Sebastian, Lester ..... 2.00
Shapler, Eva C. ..... 2.00
Sheehan, Michael J. ..... 2.00
Sherwood, Albert C ..... 2.00
Shidluskas, Joseph A. ..... 4.00
Sisson, George T. ..... 5.00
Smith, Hattie E. ..... 2.00
Smith, Ralph ..... 2.00
Spimer, Alice L. ..... 2.00
Squires, James ..... 4.00
Stiles, Frank L ..... 5.00
Stokes. William ..... 2.00
Stoner, Mrs. R. ..... 2.00
Sylvia, Winifred M. ..... 2.00
Taylor, Spencer H. ..... 2.00
Teele, Wm. Henry ..... 2.00
Todd, Ethel ..... 8.00
Tompkins, Elizabeth P.. .....  00
Tooher, William J. ..... 2.00
Toomer. Timothy ..... 2.00
Tripp, Horatio W ..... 2.00
Troupe. John ..... 2.00
Tucker, Jr., George S. ..... 4.00
Turnbull, George L. ..... 7.00
Vallie, A. H. ..... 2.00
Vitkauskis, Antony ..... 2.00
Waite, F. A. ..... 16.00
Walther, Augustine J. ..... $\because .00$
Watkins, John H. 15.00 Whitney, Cora A. ..... 2.00
Weaver, George T. 25.00 Willis, Ora A. ..... 2.00
Wheeler, Elbridge 5.00 Wood, Oliver D. ..... 2.00
Whipple, Marion H. 2.00 Yetman. Thomas E. ..... 2.00
Whitcomb, Fred S. 2.00 Young, Daricl ..... 2.00
184 licenses at $\$ 2.00$ ..... \$368.00
51 licenses at $\$ 5.00$ ..... 255.00
1 license at $\$ 25.00$ ..... 25.00
$\$ 648.00$
Deduct fees, 236 licenses at 20c each ..... 47.20
$\$ 600.80$
Due County Treasurer, 1925 account ..... 123.60$\$ 72 \pm .40$
May 26, 1926-Paid County Treasurer ..... $23+.00$
Nov. 22, 1926-Paid County Treasurer ..... 431.00
Due County Treasurer, 1926 account ..... 59.40

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1926

Burial permits issued in Acton ..... 38
Burial permits of non-residents ..... 23
List of contagious diseases reported by the Board of HealthJan. 1st, 1926, to Dec. 1, 1926 :
Scarlet Fever ..... 4
Influenza ..... 1
Measles ..... 5 5
Mumps ..... 1
Tuberculosis (pulmonary) ..... 1
Total ..... 59
(Death none)

Your board would recommend that $\$ 1,000.00$ be appropriated for use of the board for the present year.

ACTON BOARD OF HEALTH,
C. A. Durkee, Agent.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

Buildings, exclusive of land ..... \$2,119,000.00
Land, exclusive of buildings ..... $720,580.00$
Personal estate ..... 602,981.00
Valuation April 1, 1925 ..... 2,844,915.00
Increase in valuation597,646.00
Rate of taxation $\$ 26.40$.
Tax assessed as follows :
Real estate ..... $\$ 74,964.91$
Personal estate ..... 15,918.59
Polls ..... 1,580.00
\$92,463.50
Amount of money raised:
State tax ..... 5,160.00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
County tax ..... 4,186.19
Tuberculosis tax ..... 72.33
Town grant ..... 77,505.29
Overlay ..... 3.966.49
$\$ 92,463.50$
December assessment:
Buildings, exclusive of land ..... $\$ 35,750.00$
Land, exclusive of buildings ..... 5,700.00
Personal ..... 600.00Tax assessed :Real estate\$1,094.28
Personal estate ..... 15.84
Polls ..... 12.00

\$1,122.12

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

1923 Taxes
Dr.
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926 ..... \$196.53 ..... \$196.53
Interest collected ..... 7.81 ..... 7.81
Cr.
Paid Treasurer ..... $\$ 96.38$
Abated ..... 107.96
$\$ 204.3 .4$
1924 Taxes
Dr.
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926 ..... \$7,243.01
Interest collected ..... 746.41
$\$ 7,989.42$
Cr .
Paid Treasurer ..... $\$ 7,728.40$
Abated ..... 151.83
$\$ 7,880.23$\$109.19
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927
1925 Taxes
Dr.
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926 ..... \$47,243. 69
Interest collected ..... 1,802.35
$\$ 49,046.0$ -
Cr .
Paid 'Treasurer ..... \$35,917. 39
Abated ..... 152.00
39

## 1926 Taxes

 Dr.Committed by Assessors ..... \$93,587. 62
Interest collected ..... 45.30
Cr .
Paid Treasurer ..... \$62,130.12
Abated ..... 326.06

CHARLES A. DURKEE.

January 1, 1927.

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

## To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:-I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31st, 1926.
Assault and battery. .............................. 1
Bastardy ............................................. 1
Larceny. ................................................ . . . 3
Drunkemness .......................................... 3
Operating under the influence of liquor ......... 1
Illegal sale of liquor ............................... . . 2
Illegal keeping of liquor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1
Illegal manufacturing of liquor .................. 1
Inlegal transportation of liquor . .................. . . 1
Default warrant .................................... . 1
The work of this department is far greater than most 0 four good citizens realize, and I therefore wish to recommend that at least one regular officer be appointed for duty throughout the town, and that sufficient moner be raised to maintain such officer.
Under the present condition the town is not getting the service from the department that they should, therefore I have made this reerommendation. Respectfully submitted,
ALAN B. FROST,
Chief of Police.

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Acton, Mass.:<br>Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year 1926.

## Expenditures

## GENERAL GOYERNMENT

Appropriations
$\$ 4,200.00$
Appropriations, Treasurer's and Collector's bonds 225.00

Transferred from reserve fund............ 520.80
$\$ 4,945.80$
SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Murray, Brown, salary ..................... . $\$ 100.00$
A. R. Jenks, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 50.00

Howard Billings, salary ..................... 50.00
Murray Brown, perambulating town lines. . 9.00
Murray Brown, postage, telephone ....... $\quad$. 32
A. R. Jenks, perambulating town lines.... 3.00

Howard Billings, perambulating town lines $\quad 6.00$
Howard Billings, postage, transportation,
etc. ................................... 5.90
Enterprise Press, advertising .............. 3.75
R. S. Osterhout, town reports ............. . 491.00
R. S. Osterhout, advertising ................ 6.72

Hobbs \& Warren, stationery ............... . 8.48
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. . ........................ . 4.17

Turner's public spirit advertising ......... 3.75
Murphy \& Snyder, ledger ................ 3.50
Hobbs \& Warren, licenses .................. 2.08
$\$ 752.67$

## ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

Paid:
Everett Montague, salary ................ $\$ 100.00$
Everett Montague, expenses ............... 3.50
Howard L. Jones, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
Murphy \& Snyder, printing ............... 3.25
James T'. Towhee Co., book, printing ...... 17.75
Kalamazoo Loose Leaf Binder Co., ledger outfit
TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Frank W. Hoit, salary ..... \$ 300.00
Frank W. Hoit, postage, telephone, carfare ..... 42.39
Frank W. Hoit, deposit box ..... 亏. 00
Frank W. Hoit, certifying notes ..... 8.00
American Surety ('o., bond ..... 150.00
OVERSEERS OF POOR
Paid :
Albert R. Jenks, salary ..... 75.00
Murray Brown, salary ..... 40.00
Howard Billings, salary ..... 40.00
Albert R. Jenks, expenses ..... 22.10
COLLECTOR'S DEPAR'TMENT
Paid:
Chas. A. Durkee, salary ..... $\$ 906.25$
Chas. A. Durkee, verification of taxes ..... 15.00
Chas. A. Durkee, postage ..... 4.10
Murphy \& Snyder, printing stationery ..... 23.00
H. S. Turner, blanks ..... 7.75
A. W. Brownell, printing ..... 2.07
Hobbs \& Warren, book ..... 6.30
American Surety Co., bond ..... 75.00
$\$ 505.39$
\$177. 10
\$1,039 ..... 47
ASSESSORS` DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Warren H. Jones, salary ..... $\$ 350.00$
Henry L. Haynes, salary ..... 325.00
Arthur W. Emerson, salary ..... 300.00
Henry L. Haynes, expenses ..... 17.95
Kardex Rand Sales Corp., cards ..... 34.21
L. L. Applin, transfer records ..... 20.47
Library Burean, cards end equipment ..... 69.32
Hobbs \& Warren, books, supplies ..... 26.63
H. S. Turner, printing ..... 47.50
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes, printing ..... 17.50
Auto. Tax Service, auto tax register ..... 5.00

## TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, salary ..... $\$ 125.00$
Horace F. T'uttle, recording births ..... 34.00
Horace F . Tuttle, recording marriages ..... 13.00
Horace F. Tuttle, recording deaths ..... 22.00
Horace F. Tuttle, postage, telephone ..... 29.00
P. B. Murphy, book ..... 2.50
A. H. Bartlett Co., birth certificates ..... 53
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Paid:
Theron F. Newton, salary ..... $\$ 120.00$
W. \& L. E. Gurley, equipment ..... 10.75
CATTLE INSPECTION
Paid:
Fred S. Whitcomb, salary ..... $\$ 175.00$ ..... $\$ 175.00$
SUNDRY
Paid:
Chas. Durkee, inspector of animals ..... \$6.26
A. Brooks Parker, moderator ..... 20.00
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION
Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, registrar ..... $\$ 50.00$
Chas. J. Holton, registrar ..... 20.00
Edw. A. Phalen, registrar ..... 20.00
Harold Coughlin, officer ..... 5.00
Arthur F. Davis, officer ..... 15.00
L. C. Hastings, officer ..... 15.00
L. C. Hastings, placing booths ..... 3.75
Theron Newton, officer ..... 15.00
John J. Manning, officer ..... 5.00
Timothy Hemnessey, officer ..... 15.00
Thomas Murray, officer ..... 10.00
Fred S. Whitcomb, officer ..... 15.00
James Kinsley, officer ..... 10.00
David R. Kinsley, officer ..... 10.00
Ernest Cooper, officer ..... 10.00
Universalist church, rent ..... 15.00
J. T. McNiff, expense on account warrants ..... 18.00
Enterprise Co., advertising ..... 2.00
R. S. Osterhout, warrants registration notices ..... 72.75
Murphy \& Snyder, notices ..... 2.50
Turner's Public Spirit, advertising ..... 4.50
James Coughlin, officer ..... 5.00
Daniel Sheehan, registrar ..... 20.00
Total general government
BUILDINGGS AND GROUNDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Paid:
Oliver D. Wood, labor ..... $\$ 6.40$
American Woolen Co. ..... 70.64
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 138.84
S. E. Knowlton, painting ..... 57.00
West and South Water District ..... 15.50
Geo. A. Braman, care of ag ..... 10.00
B. A. King, wiring, repairs, etc ..... 30.45
J. W. Livermore, care of grounds ..... 18.30
N. H. Tenney, repairing bell ..... 44.05
H. B. Moore, filling old cistern ..... 40.00
John Pederson, wood ..... 45.5()
N. H. Tenney, pipe and repairs ..... 3.38
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 18.90
E. P. Gates, irons ..... 1.00
Arthur Wayne, janitor ..... 148.25
Arthur Wayne, care of lawn ..... 19.23
Arthur Wayne, care of fountain ..... 6.00
Arthur Wayne, care of clock ..... 30.00

$\$ 358.50$
\$4, 945.80

\$703.44Unexpended balance
96.56
$\$ 800.00$

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 86.24
\$886.24
Paid:
J. T. McNiff, police duty ..... \$195. 25
J. E. Coombs, police duty ..... 10.00
O. D. Wood, police duty ..... 31.94
A. B. Frost, police duty ..... 304.99
A. B. Frost, court fees ..... 27.50
A. B. Frost, telephone ..... 20.82
Jesse Briggs, police duty ..... 60.50
Jesse Briggs, altering uniform ..... 4.00
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 18.82
Com. of mass, licenses ..... 60
Harding Uniform Co., badges, cap, ete. ..... 9.87
Geo. S. Braman, police duty ..... 5.00
II. B. Morse, police duty ..... 25.50
Craig Sweet, police duty ..... 24.75
Wm. Ryan, court fees ..... 6.50
Murray Brown, police duty ..... 25.00
Eruest Rasmussen, police duty ..... 15.00
Arthur Reynolds, police duty ..... 8.45
Robert G. Everett, police duty ..... 9.10
Wm. D. Tuttle, police duty ..... 10.40
Michael Foley, police duty ..... 72.25

\$886.24
ENFORCEMENT OF LIQUOR LAW
Appropriation ..... \$283.04
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 4.96
$\$ 288.00$
Paid:
Jesse Briggs, police duty ..... 5.00
A. B. Frost, police duty ..... 8.00
Crawford Detective Bureau ..... 275.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT (General)
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 184.46

$\$ 288.00$

Paid:
So. Acton Woolen Co. acid ..... \$18.12
A. B. Frost, pay rolls ..... 16.39
A. R. Beach, pay rolls ..... 30.50
Frank W. Hoit, pay rolls ..... 44.50
Geo. S. Braman, pay rolls ..... 86.00
Geo. S. Braman, janitor ..... 70.50
Geo. S. Braman, supplies ..... 1.85
Ünderwriters Equipment Co., soda ..... 57.10
Underwriters Equipment Co., extinguishers ..... 58.50
American Woolen Co., lighting ..... 30.04
Fitzgerald's Garage, gasoline ..... 15. 90
David Clayton, labor ..... 17.50
Maynard Coal Co., coal ..... 21.40
Acton Motor Co., labor, supplies ..... 40.80
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 35.44
American Fire Equipment Co., supplies ..... 14.70
J. Herbert MacKenzie, janitor ..... 75.00
West \& South Water Supply ..... 24.00
Wm. G. Lawrence, janitor ..... 117.25
M. J. Sheehan, gasoline ..... 2.20
A. W. Davis, towing ..... 3.50
A. W. Davis Co., coal ..... 80.00
A. W. Davis Co. supplies ..... 1.70
B. A. King, pay rolls ..... 88.00
B. A. King, labor, supplies ..... 14.00
Finney \& Hoit, tires, tubes ..... 66.10
Maynard \& Acton Coal Co., gas, oil ..... 8.09
H. K. Barnes, chemicals, tubes ..... 39.60
Assabet Coal Co., coal ..... 2.10
A. H. Perkins, gasoline ..... 1.05
A. W. Foss, gasoline ..... 4.76
Geo. H. Reed, coal and wood ..... 61.57
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 9.82
Fritz Oebschlegals, belt and snaps ..... 14.50
Limscott Motor Co., repairs ..... 9.80
E. Z. Stanley, pipe ..... 1.28
J. S. Moore, alcohol ..... 90

\$1,184.46BRUSH FIRES

Appropriations ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Paid:
A. B. Frost, pay rolls ..... $\$ 342.00$
J. J. Manning, pay rolls ..... 1.50
B. A. King, pay rolls ..... 204.00
So. Acton Fire Dept., pay rolls ..... 227.75
American Fire Equipment, supplies ..... 13.21
E. P. Gates, repairs on truck ..... 4.50
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 15.10
A. W. Davis Co., shovels ..... 8.00
Hedge \& Mathews Co., shovels ..... 7.38
I. W. Perkins, labor and auto ..... 6.00
Unexpended balance ..... 170.56

## SPECIAL NEW HOSE

Appropriation ..... $\$ 350.00$Paid:
B. A. King, retapping hose connections, valves, etc. ..... 27.00
Underwriters Equipment Co., new hose ..... 296.00
$\$ 323.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 27.00
$\$ 350.00$
HYDRANTS
Appropriation
Paid:
West \& South Water Supply District ..... \$2,725. 00
Town of Concord ..... 368.00$\$ \$ 3,100.00$
Unexpended balance
$\$ 3,093.00$7.00$\$ 3,100.00$
HEALTH AND SANITATION
Appropriation ..... \$1,000.00
Paid:
Hobbs \& Warren, book ..... $\$ 2.64$
James Kinsley, inspection ..... 62.40
Geo. H. Reed, lime, posts ..... 17.25
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 1.10
Geo. H. Tuttle, inspection ..... 3.00
A. W. Davis Co., wire ..... 16.00
W. B. Holt, stove and pipe ..... 5.00
Chas. A. Durkee, services and expenses as agent to board ..... 143.99
Geo. H. Tuttle, salary ..... 10.00
A. F. Durkee, salary ..... 15.00
F. E. Tasker, salary ..... 25.00
F. E. Tasker, professional services ..... 16.00
Levi Perkins, milk ..... 86.56
$\$ 403.94$
Unexpended balance ..... 596.06
TOWN NURSE
Appropriation
Mildred Walther, salary ..... \$1,677. 86
Esther P. Robinson, salary ..... 250.00$\$ 2,000.00$
Acton Drug Co., supplies ..... 25.65
Fuller Brush Co., brush ..... 1.35
E. F. Mahady Co., gloves ..... 1.11
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. ('o. ..... 16.48
O. L. Clark, alcohol ..... 2.00
C. E. Searles, supplies ..... 12.50
Library Bureau, cards ..... 4.96
Bainbridge Kempton Inc. ..... 1.00

\$1,992.93
Unexpended balance ..... 7.07
$\$ 2,000.00$
STREET LIGHTING
Appropriation ..... $\$ 5,000.00$
Paid:
American Woolen Co. ..... $\$ 4,884.03$
Unexpended balance ..... 115.97
$\$ 5,000.00$
HIGHWAYS
GENERAL
Appropriation ..... \$10,000.00
Appropriation, State under Chapter 81 ..... 5,700.00
Paid:
John Pederson, equipment ..... $\$ 12.00$
H. B. Morse, freight ..... 6.22
Hobbs \& Warren, stationery ..... 3.72
Good Roads Machinery Co., parts ..... 33.90
Barrett Co., tarvia ..... 1,010.10
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., pipe, lumber ..... 272.24
Barbour, Stockwell Co., frame and grate ..... 21.50
Mass. Broken Stone Co., stone ..... 336.69
W. B. Holt, pipe and fittings ..... 22.90
A. W. Davis Co., supplies ..... 65.88
A. W. Davis, trucking ..... 22.00
Geo. H. Reed, cement ..... 28.75
Standard Oil Co., asphalt ..... 2,752.17
Greenough Construction Co., trucking sand ..... 940.90
Conant Machine Co., parts and repairs on loader ..... 116.61
Finney \& Hoit, batteries ..... 2.80
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 58.42
A. F. Davis, painting signs ..... 7.00
H. E. Fletcher, stone ..... 27.00
Wilson Lumber Co., brick ..... 19.20
E. P. Gates, repair work ..... 50.10
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert ..... 41.58
A. H. Perkins, gasoline, oil ..... 25.95
Dyar Sales \& Mach. Co., shovels ..... 13.00
B. A. King, cord ..... 3.74
Jas. P. Brown, repairs ..... 8.10
Howard L. Jones, analysis of pay rolls ..... 25.00
Hall Bros., planing lumber ..... 50
R. A. Reed, Jr., gravel ..... 2.85
Paul Gould, gravel ..... 90
Mrs. McCrossin, gravel ..... 24.30
Geo. S. Tucker, gravel ..... 11.85
Levi Perkins, gravel ..... 121.50
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 102.30
A. R. Jenks, gravel ..... 10.05
E. P. Gates, basin cover ..... 12.50
Conant Machine Co., loader ..... 410.00
A. H. Perkins, cement ..... 1.70
Conant Machine Co., rental of loader ..... 117.75
Geo. H. Reed, shovels ..... 3.00
PAY ROLLS
Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... \$599.95
E. Banks ..... 228.00
G. Penney ..... 217.50
A. B. Frost ..... 194.00
A. Derby ..... 218.50
P. Bressette ..... 272.00
A. Reynolds ..... 201.75
F. Courville ..... 243.75
P. Coughlin ..... 187.50
L. Allard ..... 263.00
E. Nault ..... 150.00
J. Gaginon ..... 170.50
T. Murray ..... 122.00
H. B. Morse ..... 176.75
R. Penney ..... 98.75
E. Leclair ..... 4.00
L. O. Mace ..... 55.50
J. Cobleigh ..... 8.00
E. Fobes ..... 27.25
A. R. Jenks ..... 3.25
A. St. Cyr ..... 32.00
C. Morse ..... 6.00
N. MeCrossin ..... 17.25
L. Worden ..... 51.00
E. Laird ..... 4.00
B. C. Steele ..... 5.00
E. H. Shaw ..... 62.25
A. Wessel ..... 39.00
C. Shaw ..... 16.00
N. Perkins ..... 31.50
Geo. Morse ..... 9.00
R. Perkins ..... 28.00
A. Mauro ..... 8.00
P. Durklee ..... 20.00
H. Durklee ..... 6.00
Martin Brown ..... 3.00
John Gilbride ..... 1.00
H. Perkins ..... 8.00
Ralph Jones ..... 92.00
Teams:
Geo. Greenough ..... \$192.00
J. E. Coombs ..... 300.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 321.00
Levi Perkins ..... 410.50
A. H. Perkins ..... 520.50
Trucks:
Ralph Jones ..... $\$ 185.25$
E. Morse ..... 60.00
Geo. Morse ..... 476.25
W. H. Kingsley ..... 877.13
A. R. Jenks ..... 638.25
H. B. Morse ..... 686.25
R. Smith ..... 2.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 289.50
\$15,586. 25
Unexpended balance ..... 113.75
\$15,700.00
SPECIAL HIGHWAY WORK
$\$ 6.000 .00$
Appropriation, State, Central street, $\$ 2,000$;
School street, $\$ 2,000$ ..... $4,000.00$
Appropriation, County, Central street $\$ 2$.- 000 ; School street $\$ 2,000$ ..... 4,000.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 72.18
CENTRAL STREETT
Paid:
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... \$36.50
A. W. Davis Co., pipe, supplies ..... 13.66
Whitney Coal \& Grain Co., coal ..... 18.89
Conant Machine Co., parts ..... 15.48
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert ..... 73.44
A. II. Perkins, tools, gas, oil ..... 47.36
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 7.80
Standard Oil Co., asphalt ..... 168.00
A. R. Jenks, gravel ..... 58.35
Levi Perkins, gravel ..... 185.85
Robert Reed, gravel ..... 167.70
PAY ROLLS
Labor :
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 271.50$
Albert St. Cyr ..... 356.00
G. Penney ..... 131 . ()0
R. Penney ..... 181.75
C. R. Morse ..... 46.00
E. Banks ..... 34.50
A. Derby ..... 122.50
P. Bressette ..... 134.50
P. Coughlin ..... 87.00
T. Murray ..... 142.25
E. Nault ..... 154.75
R. Jones ..... 60.50
L. Kent ..... 12.00
R. Kent ..... 12.00
A. Morse ..... 46.50
B. C. Steele ..... 160.62
A. McIntosh ..... 114.50
Wm. Cahill ..... 8.00
W. Blaisdell ..... 10.50
L. Worden ..... 14.00
R. Caldwell ..... 80.00
A. Wessel ..... 2.00
H. Perkins ..... 4.50
W. H. Kingsley, man ..... 3.00
L. Worden ..... 23.00
A. Reynolds ..... 43.50
J. Cobleigh ..... 77.50
A. Munro ..... 49.00
B. Cahill ..... 18.50
A. B. Frost ..... 18.00
E. Fobes ..... 8.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... $\$ 233.00$
Levi Perkins ..... 26.00
Trucks:
State Trucks ..... \$127.50
H. Morse ..... 297.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 321.00
R. Jones ..... 371.25
A. R. Jenks ..... 420.75
W. H. Kingsley, No. 2 ..... 189.25
A. W. Davis ..... 79.50
C. Morse ..... 85.50
Geo. Morse ..... 446.25
F. E. Farrar ..... 144.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 132.00
CONCORD STREET
Paid :
W. H. Kingsley, crushing stone ..... \$563.60
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 30.85
Barrett Co., tarvia ..... 249.20
Mass. Broken Stone Co. ..... 74.85
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert ..... 93.06
E. P. Gates, basin cover ..... 25.00
E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 5.75
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 7.23
Geo. H. Reed, lime ..... 6.40
J. D. Smith, laying brick ..... 16.12
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 4.65
PAY ROLLS
Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 90.00$
A. B. Frost ..... 44.75
Albert St. Cyr ..... 136.00
E. Fobes ..... 16.00
E. Nault ..... 47.25
R. Penney ..... 51.25
A. Derby ..... 43.25
T. Murray ..... 47.25
A. Reynolds ..... 43.00
P. Bressette ..... 17.25
A. R. Jenks ..... 22.25
J. Gaynor ..... 16.00
F. Courville ..... 4.75
H. Morse ..... 7.50
T. McCrossin ..... 2.00
E. Shaw ..... 4.00
W. H. Kingsley, man ..... 6.00
$\$ 6,093.40$
Teams
A. H. Perkins ..... \$104.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 36.00
Trucks:
A. R. Jenks ..... $\$ 87.00$
W. H. Kingsley ..... 7.50
H. Morse ..... 24.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 42.00
SCHOOL STREET
Paid:
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert ..... $\$ 180.00$
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 57.75
Cellulose Products Inc., dynamite, caps ..... 17.38
A. H. Perkins, oil, gas ..... 61.00
Hall Bros., oil ..... 75
Geo. H. Reed, coal ..... 55.53
Geo. H. Reed, cement, tools ..... 27.0 .5
A. W. Davis, cartage ..... 10.00
Abel F. Stevens, blasting ..... 264.55
Conant Machine ('o., parts ..... 2.11
Abe Granberg, gravel ..... 88.05
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 116.50
Mrs. McCrossin, gravel ..... 169.65
Conant Machine Co., loader rental ..... 250.00
PAY ROLLS
Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 360.00$
E. Fobes ..... 8.00
A. B. Frost ..... 40.00
A. Derby ..... 28.00
A. R. Jenks ..... 8.00
R. Penney ..... 204.50
E. Nault ..... 50.75
T. Murray ..... 13.25
A. Reynolds ..... 166.00
P. Bressette ..... 37.00
J. Gaynor ..... 168.50
F. Courville ..... 143.75
A. Wessel ..... 153.50
H. Morse ..... 125.50
L. Worden ..... 129.50
E. Laird ..... 138.25
A. McCrossin ..... 48.00
Albert St. Cyr ..... 304.00
Geo. Morse ..... 38.00
N. McCrossin ..... 95.00
C. Morse ..... 15.50
E. Shaw ..... 82.00
R. Jones ..... 20.00
A. Mauro ..... 80.75
L. Allard ..... 4.00
E. Banks ..... 4.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... \$417.00
A. R. Jenks ..... 8.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 24.00
Trucks:
R. Jones ..... $\$ 6.00$
H. Morse ..... 658.50
A. R. Jenks ..... 418.50
W. H. Kingsley ..... 519.00
C. Morse ..... 12.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 174.00

\$6,003.07Total special highway\$14,072.18
SNOW REMOVAL
Appropriations ..... $\$ 5,950.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 8.57
$\$ 5,958.57$
Paid
Good Road Machinery Co. (2) snow plows. ..... $\$ 587.82$
Good Road Machinery Co., parts ..... 103.10
John Pederson, pay rolls ..... 1,480.75
E. S. Fobes, labor ..... 12.00
W'm. Kilmartin, labor ..... 10.00
J. E. Coombs, team ..... 25.00
Fabian Walker, labor ..... 7.50
A. J. Doucette, labor ..... 15.00
Wm. H. Kingsley, team ..... 15.00
Henry Mekkelson, labor ..... 92.50
Murray Brown, superintendent ..... 36.00
A. W. Davis, pay roll ..... 872.87
Greenough Construction Co., team ..... 188.00
Albert R. Jenks, payroll ..... 233.50
A. S. Aleen, team ..... 64.25
A. Christofferson, tractor and labor ..... 362.50
Alvin Christofferson, labor ..... 119.00
C. C. Cullinane, truck ..... 240.00
H. B. Morse, parrolls ..... 873.00
Fraser Luffin, labor ..... 15. 00
Benj. De Sousa, labor ..... 17.75
Acton Motor Co., work on plow ..... 18.75
H. E. Goodrich, gasoline ..... 2.40
H. B. Morse, lunches ..... 22.14
Fred W. Green, labor ..... 6.00
Fritz Oelschlegal, repairs on chains ..... 2.25
Four Wheel Drive Co., repairs, parts ..... 159.19
H. F. Davis Tractor Co., snow plow ..... 234.88
A. H. Perkins, payrolls ..... 83.00
.J. S. Moore, shovels ..... 9.48
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 7.45
E. O. Gates, repairs ..... 4.50
R. F. Durkee, labor ..... 5.00
A. W. Davis, storage ..... 20.50
Geo. H. Reed, equipment ..... 8.00
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 4.49
CUTTING BRUSH
Appropriation ..... $\$ 400.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 10.95
$\$ 5,958.57$ ..... 57
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Paid
J. A. MacPherson, tools ..... $\$ 2.85$
H. F. Robbins, labor ..... 18.00
H. B. Morse ..... 60.00
E. Nault ..... 68.00
T. Murray ..... 68.00
Geo. Morse ..... 2.00
P. Coughlin ..... 16.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 45.00
A. H. Perkins, payrolls ..... 127.20
Maynard, Acton Oil Co., oil ..... 3.90 .....
\$410.95
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PLANKING RAILROAD BRIDGE
Appropriation$\$ 410.95$
Paid
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... \$461.02
W. A. Haynes Co., lumber ..... 35.00
H. Hale, labor ..... 19.80
R. Pemner, labor ..... 12.00
L. Worden, labor ..... 12.00
C. Morse, truck ..... 6.00

## MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation ..... \$1,269.39
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 20.78
Paid
James 0 Neil, labor ..... \$647.30
James O'Neil, truck ..... 245.00
James O'Neil, express and telephone ..... 9.80
General Chemical Có, lead ..... 388.07
$\$ 1,290.17$
TREE WARDEN
Appropriation ..... $\$ 400.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 50.15
\$1,290.17
$\$ 450.15$
Paid
James O'Neil, labor ..... \$346.50
James O'Neil, truck ..... 85.00
James O'Neil, expenses ..... 4.65
Otis W. Butler, pruners ..... 14.00
$\$ 450.15$
CHARITIES
Relief of Poor
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,800.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 22.74
\$1,822.74
Paid
Board and care ..... $\$ 954.63$
Acton Drug Co., medicine, etc. ..... 16.60
H. Lawrence, provisions ..... 64.02
A. C. Foss \& Co., clothing ..... 12.80
Finney \& Hoit, clothing ..... 6.50
Dr. F. E. Tasker, medicine, services ..... 151.75
Chas. Durkee, wood ..... 31.50
P. S. Fowler, funeral expenses ..... 45.00
Village Relief Ass’n, Whitinsville ..... 27.00
M. E. Taylor \& Co., provisions ..... 108.53
Kelly \& Sharkey, clothes ..... 26.50
Flora McDonald, clothes ..... 9.77
J. T. McNiff, auto ..... 10.00
Dr. Geo. H. Tuttle, transportation ..... 13.00
John T. Savage, funeral expenses ..... 100.00
Walker Motor Co., auto ..... 8.00
J. P. Bourner, medical services ..... 34.00
Dept. of Public Welfare ..... 19.00
Dr. O. L. Clark, medical services ..... 60.00
Emerson Hospital ..... 50.00
J. S. Moore, provisions ..... 17.15
City of Worcester ..... 43.15
Hobbs \& Warren Co. ..... 2.34
A. R. Jenks, cash advanced ..... 3.50
F. W. Green, services ..... 8.00
$\$ 1,822.74$
STATE AID
Amount due from State Treasurer ..... $\$+28.00$
Paid ..... 428.00
MILITARY AID
Appropriation ..... $\$ 200.00$
Paid for aid ..... 76.50
Unexpended balance ..... 123.50
$\$ 200.00$
MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Current Expense
Appropriation ..... $\$ 700.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 31.74
Paid:
Dennison Mfg. Co., labels ..... $\$ 1.09$
Samuel Ward, stationery ..... 48
American Woolen Co. ..... 31.29
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., fuel ..... 187.87
Wm. H. Kingsley, wood ..... 13.50
O. D. Wood, labor ..... 43.05
P. E. Houghton, trans. books ..... 50.00
A. F. Davis, librarian ..... 153.00
A. F. Davis, janitor ..... 153.00
A. F. Davis, cataloging and expense ..... 26.85
B. A. King, installing lights ..... 20.34
E. F. Conant, insurance ..... 31.09
E. J. Stanley, repairs on heater ..... 13.30
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 6.88

## LIBRARY BOOKS

Appropriation ..... $\$ 200.00$
Interest on Library Fund ..... 468.82
Paid:
Crosby Publishing Co. ..... $\$ 8.00$
Cragie Co. ..... 129.56
Pand, McNally Co. ..... 3.00
De Wolfe Fiske \& Co. ..... 395.76
Ginn \& Co. ..... 8.98
(toodspeeds ..... 33.97
Union Library Association ..... 11.91
American Nature Association ..... 1.00
W. A. Wilde Co. ..... 14.99
Dura Binding Co. ..... 8.10
Herman Goldberger ..... 47.55
National Republic ..... 5.00
Horace F. Tuttle ..... 1.00
$\$ 668.82$
\$668.82

## SCHOOLS

Appropriation
Paid:
Report of School Committee ..... \$41,485. 62
Unexpended balance ..... 2,514.38$\$ 44,000.00 \$ 44,000.00$
$\$ 44,000.00$
High School Building
Unexpended balance ..... $\$ 17,610.89$
Appropriation from Town Farm and Hap- good funds ..... 1,689. 84
Paid:
John H. Pray \& Sons Co., rug and linoleum ..... \$137.38
L. H. Schwaurb, piano ..... 35.00
Mass. Reformatory, furniture ..... 59.00
John Pederson, labor ..... 10.00
Smith Fimney, insurance ..... 265.00
John H. Bickford, architect ..... 640.16
John F. Caheen, heat and ventilation ..... 4,216.00
Heywood Bros. \& Wakefield Co., furniture ..... 27.90
Manufacturers Equipment Co., lockers ..... 660.00
Duncan Construction Co., contract ..... 8,304. 88
A.' W. Davis, tools ..... 4.10
A. J. Wilkinson \& Co., hardware ..... 28.30
So. Acton Woolen Co., coal ..... 116.32
Allen Chair Co., furniture ..... 190.50
Kimney \& Hoit, furnishings ..... 146.23
Geo. W. Jameson, painting ..... 48.29
Wm. Rawitser, furnishings ..... 119.16
T. E. Costello, cushions ..... 25.00
J. A. MacPherson, rail ..... 24.39
Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Co. ..... 7.50
Bonded Floors Co. ..... 50.00
Orville P. Tucker, screens, labor, etc. ..... 345.87
American Woolen Co., lamps ..... 47.54
C. W. Lawrence, paid labor ..... 26.25
C. W. Lawrence, paid for drill ..... 20.00
Geo. A. Robinson, paid for supplies ..... 49.87
Wilson Lumber Co., lumber ..... 21.83
N. H. Temney, labor, supplies ..... 272.45
A. W. Davis, express ..... 13.00
Murphy \& Snyder, printing ..... 33.00
L. C. Smith Typewriter Co. ..... 304.00
Burdett \& Williams, plates ..... 30.40
Kenney Bros \& Wolkins, desks ..... 38.69
Edgar H. Hall, balance on tablets ..... 50.16
W. B. Holt, labor and supplies ..... 63.69
Ashley Rich, labor ..... 9.00
D. MacDougal, labor ..... 8.00
R. A. Fife Corporation, desk ..... 32.00
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 17.83
Underwood Typewriter Co. ..... $1+0.00$
Yawman \& Erbe Mfg. Co., files ..... 37.20
Paid on account of grading ..... 300.00
West \& South, water supply ..... 100.00
Sexton Can Co. ..... 6.08
Wells \& Douglass, lamp and lens ..... 279.00
Thomas P. Hurley, painting floors ..... 150.00
Howe Lumber Co. ..... 50.02
Sherwin Williams Paint Co. ..... 88.20
Gould \& Cutler Co., paint ..... 332.06
Chas. B. Dawson ..... 3.00
W. A. Haynes Lumber Co. ..... 40. 39
Edgar II. Hall, flag pole ..... 59.21
Pratt \& Forest Co. ..... 23.00
R. A. Fife Corp. ..... 382.85
A. W. Davis Co., shellac, varnish ..... 22.30
Bonded Floors Co. ..... 384. 14

# GRADING HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS <br> Appropriation <br> ..... $\$ 3,000.00$ <br> Transferred from reserve fund <br> ..... 8.06 

$\$ 3,008.06$
Paid:
V. T. Eslin, dynamiting ..... 80.75
A. W. Davis Co., lawn seed, fertilizers ..... 52.29
E. P. Gates, repairs, chairs, etc. ..... 13.50
Hall Bros.; stakes ..... 1.10
Wm. H. Kingsley, loam ..... 123.02
I. W. Perkins, gravel ..... 15.15
West \& South, water supply, picks ..... 6.00
H. F. Tuttle, laying out grounds ..... 16.75
M. A. C. Landscape Club, plans ..... 4.50
E. H. Longley, cement walk ..... 446.00
Pay Rolls
A. B. Frost ..... $\$ 136.75$
R. Jones ..... 33.25
F. Courville ..... 137.25
Fred Smith ..... 142.75
Aldred Smith ..... 150.75
R. Morgan ..... 90.25
A. Wessel ..... 147.75
L. Allard ..... 145.25
R. Penney ..... 42.50
J. Gaynor ..... 138.75
T. Shea ..... 24.00
R. O'Neil ..... 19.75
Waldo Whitcomb ..... 189.75
V. Smith ..... 45.25
P. Bressette ..... 7.00
W. Cahill ..... 7.00
W. H. Kingsley, truck ..... 42.00
W. H. Kingsley, team ..... 305.50
L. W. Perkins team ..... 133.00
J. E. Coombs, team ..... 310.50

## CEMETERIES

Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Paid:
Fred W. Green, labor ..... \$669.8.3
L. W. Chase, loam ..... 50.00
Otis Butler, pruners ..... 13.00
Wm. H. Kingsley, team ..... 12.00
A. Bately \& Son., flowers ..... 37.45
E. L. Spinney, mowing ..... 2.00
Y. \& A. Trading Co., sod cutters ..... 34.25
West \& South Water Supply Co. ..... 22.11
E. F. Conant, insurance ..... 6.40
A. H. Perkins, team ..... 13.50
J. W. Livermore, team ..... 7.50
Horace Tuttle, services ..... 19.00
$\$ 887.04$
Unexpended balance ..... 112.96
$\$ 1,000.00$
PERPETUAL CARE
Reserved interest on cemetery fund ..... $\$ 1,020.2 \overline{5}$ Paid:
Fred W. Green, labor ..... $\$ 1,020.25$
MEMORIAL DAY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid $\$ 300.00$
MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVTCE\$300.00
Paid:
Middlesex County Fxtension Service ..... \$300.00
LIABILITY INSURAN('E
Appropriation ..... \$4.50.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... $170.6 t$
Paid:
A. M. Whitcomb ..... \$160.53
A. N. Hederstedt ..... 460.11
$\$ 6 \div 0.64$
ASSESSORS' VALUATION PRINTING ..... \$2000.(0)
Appropriation
Appropriation
Paid:
Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, examination of title ..... $\$ 5.00$
Enterprise Co., advertising
Enterprise Co., advertising ..... 1.60 ..... 1.60
Maplewood Press, printing books ..... 256.20
Warren Jones, copring books ..... 100.00
\$362.80
Unexpended balance ..... 137.20
$\$ 500.00$
TOWN FOREST
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
Com. of Mass., trees ..... $\$ 36.75$
A. R. Jenks ..... 88
$\$ 37.63$
Unexpended balance ..... 26.2. 37
$\$ 300.00$
UNCLASSIFIED
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:
Geo. A. Richardson, expense acct. By-laws ..... $\$ 22.85$
A. B .Frost, services ..... 25.00
Murphy \& Snyder, cards ..... 3.25
Enterprise Co., Br-laws ..... 17.00
Enterprise Co., advertising ..... 13.13
Dr. ('. R. Clement ..... 3.00
Finner \& Hoit, flags ..... 12.50
A. W. Davis, moving safe ..... 6.00
Leslie. W. Sims, professional services ..... 55.00
Oliver D. Wood, signs ..... 7.20
W. B. Holt, repairs ..... 10.79
Turner's Public Spirit, advertising ..... 8.75
W. \& L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer ..... 15.20
Harding Uniform \& Regalia Co., suit ..... 52.42
A. N. Hederstedt, insurance ..... 26.11
J. T. McNiff, traveling expense ..... 6.00
Murphy \& Snyder, dog licenses ..... 6.75
J. E. Coombs, ploughing sidewalks ..... 20.00
Ralph Piper, ploughing sidewalks. ..... 11.50
A. B. Frost, expense on acct. dog tax ..... 10.19
J. P. Brown, repairs ..... 14.50
Dr. Geo. H. Tuttle, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. A. L. Clark, reporting births ..... 1.25
Dr. E. A. Mayell, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. J. W. Chester, reporting birth: ..... 25
Dr. R. E. Hooper, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. E. F. Ryan, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. J. H. Matzken, reporting births ..... 25
New England Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 12
So. Acton Improvement Assn., snow plow ..... 25.00
('om. of Mass., penalty ..... 2.00
Com. of Mass., Trust Co. tax ..... 42.22
Com. of Mass., National Bank tax ..... 81
Com. of Mass., Corp. tax ..... 2.50
Murphy \& Snyder, printing ..... 67.50
\$490.54 ..... 9.46
Unexpended balance$\$ 500.00$
RESERVE FUND
Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred to:
General Government ..... $\$ 520.80$
Police ..... 86.24
Enforcement of Liquor Law ..... 4.96
Fire Department ..... 184.46
Moth ..... 20.78
Tree Warden ..... 50.15
Highways ..... 72.18
Cutting Brush ..... 10.95
Relief of Poor ..... 22.74
High School Grounds, grading ..... 8.06
Library Expense ..... 31.74
Liability Insurance ..... 170.64
Snow Removal ..... 8.57
\$1,192. 27 ..... 7.73

## INTEREST

Appropriation: Revenue Loans ..... \$1,200.00
High School Bonds ..... 2,960.00
Road Notes ..... 1,113. 56
Received Interest on Bank Balances ..... 239.05
Received Interest on taxes ..... 2,601.87
Paid:
Merchants' National Bank, interest on Highschool bonds$\$ 2.960 .00$
Interest in Road notes ..... 1,171.93)
Interest on Revenue Loans ..... 2.127 .14
Trans. to Est. Receipts Acets. ..... 1.8.55. +1
LOANS
Appropriation : High School Bonds ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
Other notes ..... $10,525.00$
Paid:Merchants' National Bank ............... \$6,000.00No. Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Fire Dept.note$2,000.00$
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Lowell Road note ..... 2,500.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Special road note ..... 1,750.00
No. Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Lowell Road note ..... $2,500.00$
First National Bank of Ayer, Special road note ..... 400.00
Kidder Peabody \& Co., Bridge note ..... 1,375.00
\$16,525.00
REVENUE LOANS
Amount outstanding Jan. 1, 1926 ..... $\$ 30,000.00$
Received First National Bank of Ayer ..... 125,000.00
$\$ 155,000.00$
Paid:
First National Bank of Ayer ..... $\$ 115,000.00$
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1926 ..... $\$ 40,000.00$
ABATEMENTS
C. A. Durkee, collector, 1923 ..... \$107. 96
C. A. Durkee, collector, 1924. ..... 151.83
C. A. Durkee, collector, 1925 ..... 152.00
C. A. Durkee, collector, 1926 ..... 326.06REFUNDS
Paid:
Mary C. Fowler, 1926 tax ..... \$18.48
Heirs W'm. Squires, 1926 tax ..... 1:3. 2()
Heirs Martha D. Buet, 1926 tax ..... 6.60
\$38.28
FINANCLAL STATEMENT
Due from Collector, Jan, 1, 1926 ..... $\$ 54,683.23$
Received:
State tax ..... 5.160.00)
State highway tax ..... 1.573.20
County tax ..... 4,258.52
Town grant ..... 78,629.41
Overlay ..... 3,966.49
\$148,270.85
Treasurer's cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1926 ..... \$26,763. 60
Treasurer's receipts other than taxes ..... 161,335. 96
Interest on taxes ..... 2,601. 87

\$190,701.43

\$338,972.28
Paid:
State tax ..... $\$ 5,160.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
County tax ..... 4,258.52
General Government ..... 4,945. 80
Buildings and grounds ..... 703.44
Police Department ..... 886.24
Enforcement of Liquor Law ..... 288.00
Fire Department ..... 1,184.46
Fire Department-Brush ..... 829.44
Fire Department-Special ..... 323. 00
Hydrant service ..... 3,093.00
Moth Department ..... 1,290. 17
Tree Warden ..... 450.15
Health ..... 403.94
Town nurse ..... 1,992.93
Highways ..... 15,586. 25
Highways-special work ..... 14,072. 18
Planking railroad bridge ..... 545.82
Cutting brush ..... 410.95
Snow removal ..... 5,958.57
Street lighting ..... 4,884.03
Relief of poor ..... 1,822. 74
State aid ..... 428.00
Military aid ..... 76.50
Schools ..... 41,485.62
High school building ..... 18,896.14
High school grounds ..... 3,008.06
Memorial Library ..... 731.74
Memorial Library books ..... 668.82
Cemeteries ..... 887.04
Cemeteries, perpetual care ..... 1.020 .25
Unclassified ..... 490.54
Insurance of town employees ..... 620.64
Memorial Day ..... 300.00
Demonstration Work in Agriculture ..... 300.00
Town forest ..... 37.63
Assessors valuation printing ..... 362.80
Insurance high school building ..... 300.00
Interest ..... 6,259.07
Bond and notes ..... 16,525.00
Revenue loans ..... 115,000.00
Refunds ..... 38.28
Abatements ..... 737.85
\$278,836.81
Amount due from Collector Dec. 31, 1926. ..... $\$ 44,262.58$
Treasurer's balance, Dec. 31, 1926 ..... 15,872.89
\$338,972. 28
OVERLAYS
1923-1924:
Balance Jan. 1, 1926 ..... $\$ 2,307.94$
1923 abatements ..... $\$ 107.96$
1924 abatements ..... 151.83
Transferred to overlay surplus ..... 1,938.96
2.198.75
Balance December 31, 1926 ..... $\$ 109.19$
1925 :
Balance Jan. 1, 1926 ..... $\$ 1,790.45$
Abatements ..... 152.00
Balance. December 31, 1926 ..... $\$ 1,638.45$
1926 :
Overlay ..... $\$ 3.966 .49$
Abatements ..... $\$ 326.06$
Refunds ..... 38.28
\$364.34
Balance December :31, 19:2 ..... $\$ 3,302.15$
OVERLAY SURPLUS
Dec. 31, 1926:
Transferred from 192:3-1924 overlay ..... $\$ 1.938 .96$

## 66 <br> BALANCE SHEET DEC. 31, 1926

Assets
Cash ..... $\$ 15,872.89$
Accounts Receivable :
1924 taxes ..... 109.19
1925 taxes ..... 12.976. 65
1926 taxes ..... 31,176.74
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, highwars ..... 500.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, state aid ..... 428.00
Town of Ayer ..... 331.30

## Liabilities

Revenue loan, First Nat. Bank of Ayer . . . . $\$+0,000.00$
Appropriation, balance high school building 404.59
Departmental revenue ..................... 331.30
Overlays:
Received for abatements-1923-1924...... 109.19)
Received for abatements-1925. ........... . 1,6:38.45
Received for abatements-1926............ 3, 3, 602.15
Overlay surplus .............................. 1,9:35. 96
$R \in$-vemue surplus ............................ $13.37(0.13$
$\$ 61,39+.77$
DEBT ACCOUNTS

| Net funded or bonded debt |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| High School bonds | \$68.000.00 |
| Fire Department notes | 4,000.00 |
| Special road notes | +,300.00 |
| Lowell road notes | 6.250 .00 |

\$82,550.00
Respectfully submitted, HOWARD L. .JONES, Town Accountant.

I have examined the accounts of the tax collector and treasurer of the Town of Acton and find them correct to the best of my knowledge.

> HOWARD L. JONES, Town Accountant.
REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
We present the following sehedule showing the amomats of the several finds for the perpetual care cemeter fots and the income and expenditures on aceomb of each fund for the vear :

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Cemetery Commissioners.

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| Robbins, Warren |
| Rouillard Frederick |
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## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Year Ending December 31, 1926

Cash on haud ..... $\$ 26,763.60$Received from State Treasurer:
Dep't of Public Works, Highway's ..... $\$ 675.00$
Dep't of Public Works, Highways ..... 4,000.00
Dep't of Public Works, Highways ..... 1,500.00
Dep't of Public Works, Highways ..... 500.00
Dep't of Public Works, Highways ..... 1,200.00
Dep't of Public Works, Highways ..... 2,000.00
Aid Vocational Schools ..... 412.18
Corporation Tax ..... 301.56
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes ..... 383.3.23
Corporation Tax, P. S. ..... 381.02
Corporation Tax, Business ..... $3,230.20$
National Bank Tax ..... 2.91
National Bank Tax ..... 116.27
Trust Co. Tax ..... 90.79
Income Tax, 1923 ..... 67.50
Income Tax, 1924 ..... 85.50
Income Tax, 1925 ..... 215.00
Income Tax, 19:6 ..... 7,010.04
State Aid ..... $28 \div .00$
Soldiers' exemption ..... 100.06
School Superintendent Fund ..... 528.89
Surplus Income Tax, 1926 ..... 3,934. 10
Tax Loans, First National Bank, Ayer ..... 25,000.00
Tax Loans, First National Bank, Ayer ..... 40,000.00
Tax Loans, First National Bank, Ayer ..... 20,000.00
Tax Loans, First National Bank, Ayer ..... 40,000.00
County Treasurer, Dog Tax ..... 437.47
County Treasurer, Highways ..... 1,500.00
County Treasurer, Highways ..... 2,000.00
County Treasurer, Highways ..... 500.00
Library Fines ..... 54.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures ..... 54.26
Cemetery Lots Sold, H. F. Tuttle ..... 285.00
Cemetery Lots Sold, F. W. Green ..... 60.00
Loam, F. WV. Green ..... 19.00
Donations for Poor Department ..... 20.00
Town of Maynard, Poor Department ..... 110.00
Town of Concord, Poor Department ..... 206.35
Jas. O'Neil, lead sold ..... 279.90
Paul Hilander, gravel pit ..... 50.00
Department of standards ..... 8.00
C. WF. Lawrence, old desk ..... 7.00
(. Wr. Lawrence. school book ..... 1.48
Town of Concord, Lake Nagog Taxes ..... 25.12
Town of Boxboro, Tuition ..... 720.00
Town of Boxboro ..... :30.00
Mr. Van Winkle, telephone ..... 1.90
Geo. H. Reed, rebate on road tools ..... 6.40
Damages to Town Hall Bell ..... 44.04
Badd Hesten, alcohol license ..... 1.00
Badd Hesten, alcohol license ..... 1.00
Rebate on Insurance Policies ..... 25.47
Town of Carlisle, Tuition ..... 36.00
Town of Boxboro, Tuition ..... 60.00
A. H. Sadler, Tuition ..... 32.25
('entral Middlesex ('ourt, fines ..... 130.45
Railroad brush fires ..... 508.50
Town Nurse, collections ..... 123.00
Town Hall rents ..... 195.00
Interest, First National Bank ..... 200.62
Interest, Merchants National Bank ..... 38.43
Licences, 1 second class dealer ..... 1.00
Licenses, 4 garages ..... 4.00
Licenses, 21 gas pumps ..... 21.00
Licenses, 3 Innholder's ..... 3.00
Licenses, 13 victualers ..... 13.00
Licenses, 1 auto agent ..... 1.00
Licenses, 13 motor bus ..... 13.00
Licenses, 2 bakers ..... 2.00
Licenses, 1 pedlars ..... 1.00
Cemetery Fund, perpetual care ..... 1,020. 25
Library Fund, book account ..... 468.8 ?
$\$ 161,335.96$
Received of Chas. A. Durkee, Collector : ..... $\$ 96.38$
1924 Taxes ..... 7,728.40
1925 Taxes ..... 35,917.39
1926 Taxes ..... 62,130.12
1923 Abatements ..... $\$ 107.96$
1924 Abatements ..... 151.83
1925 Abatements ..... 152.00
1926 Abatements ..... 326.06
Paid Out, Selectmen's Orders ..... 278,836. 81
Balance on hand ..... \$15,872.89
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Treasurer's Report of Funds Held for Care of Cemetery Lots
Perpetual Care Funds ..... $\$ 29,025.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 3,149.02
Received for care of lots:
50.00
Geo. J. Lothrop lot ..... 100.00
Charles H. Badger lot ..... 100.00
Marshall E. Wright lot ..... 75.00
James P. Brown lot ..... 100.00
Wm. T. Hollowell lot ..... 100.00
Granville and Millicent Rouillard lot ..... 200.00
Symonds and Tuttles lots ..... 100.00
Wm. F. Stevens lot ..... 100.00
N. Emery Whitcomb lots ..... 400.00
Income from
Water Bonds ..... 222.00
Liberty Bonds ..... 305.83
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 68.06
North Middlesex Savings Bank ..... 45.50
Charlestown Five Cent Savings Bank ..... 19319
Warren Institute for Savings ..... 4.46
Central Savings Bank, Lowell ..... 45.50
Middlesex Institute for Savings ..... 115.99
Worcester North Savings Bank ..... 100.00
Home Savings Bank ..... 45.00
Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank ..... 67.50
Marlboro Savings Bank ..... 45.00
North End Savings Bank ..... 2894
Boston \& Maine Railroad ..... 7.50
Assabet Institute for Savings ..... 158.53
$\$ 34,952.0$ ㄹ
Transferred to surplus account ..... 103.84
$\$ 34,848.18$
Paid Town of Acton, care of lots ..... \$1,020.25
Water Bonds ..... 5,400.00
Liberty Bonds ..... 7,300.00
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 2,475.00
North Middlesex Savings Bank ..... 1,500.00
Warren Institute for Savings ..... 102.99
Central Savings Bank, Lowell ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Institute for Savings ..... 2,475.00
Worcester North Savings Bank ..... 2,000.00
Home Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank ..... 1,500.00
Marlboro Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
North End Savings Bank ..... 665.46
Charlestown Five Cent Savings Bank ..... 3,877. 11
Assabet Institute for Savings ..... 3,532.37
$\$ 34,848.18$
Principal Funds ..... 30,350.00
Unexpended balance ..... $\$ 3,477.93$
Surplus Fund:
Balance ..... \$303. 31
Surplus added 1926 ..... $10: 3.84$
Cash:
Assabet Institute for Sarings ..... $\$ 407.15$

Wm. Chaplin Fund

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Balance .....  ..... \$125.44 .....  ..... \$125.44 .....  ..... \$125.44 .....  ..... \$125.44 .....  ..... \$125.44

Paid Fred W. Green

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Treasurer's Report of Wilde Memorial Library Fund
Principal of F'und ..... $\$ 9,000.00$
Susan Augusta and Luther Conant Fund ..... 1,000.00
Hiram J. Hapgood Fund ..... 200.00
Lake Tuttle Fund ..... 200.00
Unexpended balance ..... 57.53
Received:
Interest on Bond, ('onant Fund ..... 40.00
Interest, Middlesex Savings Bank ..... 48.05
Interest, Charlestown Five Cent Sav- ing's Bank ..... 151.88
Interest, Warren Institution for Sav'g's ..... 91.01
Interest, Lowell City Inst. for Saving's ..... 50.63
Interest, North End Savings Bank ..... 4.). 50
Interest, Home Savings Bank ..... 45.50
Interest, Maynard Trust ('o. ..... 20.67
Paid Town of Acton, book account ..... $\$ 468.8 \cdot$
Cash in Warren Institution for Savings ..... 2.000.00
Charlestown Five ('ent Savings Bank ..... 3,000.00
Lowell City Institution for Savings ..... 1,000.00
North End Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
Home Sarings Bank ..... $1,000.00$
Middlesex Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
Maynard Trust C'o. ..... 400.00
West Shore R. R. Bond, "Conant Fund"" ..... 1,000. 00
Maynard Trust Co., balance ..... 81.95
$\$ 10,950.77$

FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report of Fireman's Relief Fund
Balance on hand ..... \$375.92
Received interest ..... 18.04
\$393.96
Cash in Middlesex Institute for Savings ..... \$3:3: . 96

## Treasurer＇s Report of Elizabeth White Fund

Principal of Fund ..... $\$ 25,000.00$
Balance of income ..... $1,5+4.99$
Received interest：
Worcester North Savings Bank ..... 50.00
Waltham Saving＇s Bank ..... 90.00
Marlboro Saving＇s Bank ..... 90.00
Athol Savings Bank ..... 100.40
Amherst Savings Bank ..... 95． 00
Lawrence Savings Bank ..... 100.00
East Cambridge Saving＇s Bank ..... 100.00
Middlesex Institute for Savings ..... 95.00
Lowell Institute for Savings ..... 90.00
Andover Savings Bank ..... 100.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings Bank ..... 100.00
North Middlesex Savings Bank ..... 90.00
Worcester Five C＇ent Savings Bank ..... 90.00
Assabet Institute for Saving＇s ..... 78.04
$\$ 27,813.4: 3$
Paid out，＇Trustees＇orders ..... $\$ 630.00$
Cash in：
Worcester North Savings Bank ..... 1，000．00
Waltham Saving＇s Bank ..... $\mathfrak{2}, 000.00$
Marlboro Savings Bank ..... 2，000．00
Athol Savings Bank ..... 2，000．00
Amherst Saving＇s Bank ..... 2，000．00
Lawrence Savings Bank ..... 2，000．00
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Charlestown Five（＇ent Savings Bank ..... $-2,000.00$
North Middlesex Savings Bank ..... $\because, 000.00$
Worcester Five（＇ent Savings Bank ..... －，000．00
Inexpended balance in Assabet Institution for Savines ..... $2,18: 4 ;$
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## 19th of April Fund



FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## Outstanding Notes and Bonds

## North Middlesex Savings Bank:

Lowell Road Note No. 38, due Aug. 1927 . . \$1,250.00
Fire Dep't Note No. 57, due May 1927 . . . . $2,000.00$
Fire Dep't Note No. 58, due May 1928 . . . . こ, 000.00
Assabet Institution for Savings:
Lowell Road Note No. 61, due June 19:7 . . 2,500.00
Lowell Road Note No. 62, due June 1928 . - $2,500.00$
Special Road Note No. 72, due June 1927 . . $1,750.00$
Special Road Note No. 73, due June 1928 . 1,750.00
First National Bank. Ayer:
Special Road Note No. 83, due Oct. 1927 .. 400.00
Special Road Note No. 84, due Oct. $1928 \ldots 400.00$
Anticipation of Revenue Note, due June '27 40,000.00
High School Bonds, due in 1927 . . . . . . . . . 6,000.00
High School Bonds, due 1928 to 1945 . . . . $62,000.00$

> FRANK W. HOIT,
> Treasurer.

## TRUSTEES' REPORT OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND

The trustees have signed orders to the treasurer for six humdred and thirty dollars ( $\$ 630.00$ ) for the year ending December 31, 1926. This has been given after investigation by the trustees and found to be worthy.

The trustees would recommend that the citizens and organization for the good of the town, give more co-operation to the trustees, which would aid very much in placing this fund where most needed.

Respectfully yours,
WARREN H. JONES,
WM. H. KINGSLEY,
WALDO E. WHITCOMB. Trustees of the Elizabeth White Fund.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GOODNOW FUND

For the Year Ending December 31, 1926
INVESTMENTS
Warren Institution for Savings ..... \$1,304.56
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ..... 1,000.00
City Institution for Savings, Lowell ..... $1,000.00$

## RECEIPTS

Warren Institution for Savings ..... \$ 58.35
Charlestown Five Cents Savings ..... 50.00
City Institution for Savings ..... 50.00
\$ 158.35
PAYMENTS
Ella L. Miller, treasurer of the Evangelical Church in Acton ..... 1125.00Fred W. Green, care of Goodnow lot,Woodlawn cemetery11.00
Unused income, for care of cemetery lot,dposited with Warren Institution forSavings32.35

\$ 158.35,
CHARLOTTE CONANT, CHARLES E. SMITH, HORACE F. TUTTLE, Trustees of Goodnow Fund.

## TOWN FORESTER'S REPORT

## To the Honorable Board of Selectmen Acton, Mass.

Gentlemen:-Following custom inaugurated last year, your Town Forester has distributed free of charge to property owners in the town white pine and spruce three year old transplant seedlings. I wish that more land might be planted to forests each year in this manner.

No suitable tract of land could be found for purchase so as to increase size of our town forest with the amount of money available from the appropriation.

Considerable study has been made in enopperation with outside experts in connection with establishing a real town forest and a sound permanent town forest policy. As a result of this study I wish to recommend that the town appropriate a larger sum of money so that we may establish a minimum commercial unit as soon as possible. This could within a very few years be placed upon a self-supporting basis and shortly afterwards start returning to the town a profit.

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT R. JENKS. Town Forester.

## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

To the Citizens of the Town of $\Lambda$ cton:
We have been called upon to render temporary aid in four different cases during the year. In two of the more expensive of these cases we have been re-imbursed by neighboring towns.

In addition we have cared for two regular charges, one of whom died during the latter part of the year after a long illness which necessitated an operation and hospital care.

We close the year with one regular charge and one cass where we are rendering tmporary aid.

> HOWARI J. BILLINGS,
> MURRAY BROWN,

Overseers of the Poor.

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :
Gentlemen :-I herewith submit my report as Forest Warden for the year ending December 31st, 1926:

Total number of forest fires responded to fifty (50).
The cost of extinguishing these fires has been far in excess of the amount appropriated for it, and many of our good citizens do not realize that the money expended for the extinguishing of railroad fires, is refunded by the railroad. More than threequarters of these fires were railroad fires, therefore the actual expense of the town of extinguishing these fires falls within the appropriation. I will, nevertheless recommend that the sum of five hundred dollars, ( $\$ 500$ ) be appropriated to meet this expense, so that it will not be necessary to draw from other sources.

I will further recommend, that all citizens of the town make themselves fully acquainted with Chapter 48, paragraph 13 , of the General Laws of the state, relating to permits for fires in the open air. All deputies are instructed to arrest without warrant, all violators of this chapter.

While the cost of extinguishing has been large this year, the property damage has been exceedingly small, owing to the prompt response of all companies, and I wish to take this opportunity to thank all members of the various companies for their hearty support and quick response.

Respectfully submitted,

> ALAN B. FROST, Forest Warden..

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

January, 1927.
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen :-I herewith submit my report of the fire department for year ending December 31st, 1926:

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\text { Chimney fires ....................................... } 18
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\text { Buildings ............................................ } 8
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The loss and damage by fire the past year was about $\$ 5,000$, which was nearly all covered by insurance, two small taxable buildings destroyed.

The departments certainly proved their worth at Lake Nagog Inn in Jume when one of the cottages was destroyed and with a strong wind blowing several other buildings caught fire from sparks which were extinguished with only $\$ 75.00$ damage.

Grass and brush fires caused considerable work and expense
during the month of May, the departments being called out ever: day, which will be covered by the Forest Warden's report.

The apparatus is in good condition. Each truck should have a spare tire this year as they have none at present time.

The South department will need a small supply of new hose,
The men have not received their salaries for year as I understand appropriation was used up, therefore will have to come out of this year's appropriation.

I would recommend the sum of fifteen hundred dollars be appropriated for regular maintenance and three hundred dollars for the purchase of new hose.

Respectfully,

C. D. CRAM,<br>Chief Engineer.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Report for District Work from Jan. 1, 1926, to November 16, 1926
District:
Prenatal ....................................................... . . 3
Post natal .................................................... . . . . 4
Bedside ....................................................... . . . 69
Child welfare ................................................ . . . 14
Maternity . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2
Emergency calls . ............................................. . . . . . . 9
Social service work .......................................... . . 39
T. B. follow-up . ............................................ . . . 4

John Hancock cases ....................................... 2
Deaths ........................................................... . . . 5
Fees collected ................................................ . . $\$ 75.50$
Fees due
I would suggest that the town continue to get Metropolitan nursing as it would double the amount of district income.

Respectfully submitted,
MILDRED E. WALTHER. R. N.
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REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
Report on District Work from Nov. 15, 1926, to Dec. 31, 1926
Cases carried over ..... 2
New cases ..... 5
Fees collected ..... $\$ 14.00$
Fees due ..... 1.00
Deaths ..... 3
Social Service ..... 6
Prenatal ..... 1
Post natal ..... 1
Respectfully submitted,
ESTHER A. ROBINSON, ..... R. N.
REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton:
I herewith submit the following report as inspector of ani-mals for the year 1926:
Number of dairy cows ..... 516
Number of young cattle ..... 44
Number of bulls ..... 17
Number of swine ..... 94
Number of goats ..... 3
Number of stables inspected ..... 105
Number of dogs quarantined suspicious of having rabies ..... 8
Number of swine quarantined suspicious of having rabies ..... 6
Number of cattle quarantined with tuberculo- sis and killed by the State ..... 6
Respectfully submitted,FRED S. WHITCOMB,Inspector of Animals.
REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING
West Acton, Mass., Jan. 10, ..... '27.
To the Honorable Board of Health :I herewith submit my report for inspection of slaughteringfrom January 7, '26, to January 7, '27:
Cattle 29 Condemned ..... 1
Veal 36 Condemned ..... 4
Hogs 21 Condemned ..... 0
865..JAMES KINSLEY, Inspector.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen :-I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31st, 1926.

On Central street in West Acton, I have built 2,800 feet and oiled the same, also put in two metal pipe culverts.

I built 2,200 feet of gravel road on School street in South Acton and put in three metal pipe culverts.

I repaired and widened Cemetery road in Acton Center, about 2,000 feet, and put in a catch basin at the eorner near Hosmer street.

Some of the maintenance work done was as follows: Pope road near the Acton-Concord line, gravled 450 feet. Nagog Hill road graveled 800 feet, School street 500 feet, Charter road 155 feet, Hosmer street 300 feet, Prospect street, in West Acton, 390 feet, Hammond street 500 feet, River street 150 feet, Arlington street 500 feet, Woodbury lane 150 feet, Nashoba road 300 feet, Brooks street 200 feet, and patches in other sections. The main bridge over the B. \& M. railroad was replanked, and the plank bought for the branch line bridge. I rebuilt 432 feet of drain in West Acton village.

We exchanged our old loader for a new one, Which was badly needed.

The expense of maintenance on that part of Main street which has not been rebuilt will be very heavy this coming year and I should recommend that the town consider rebuilding this section.

Stow street in South Acton is in very bad condition and will have to be resurfaced with gravel this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT II. PERKINS.
Superintendent of streets.

## A REPORT OF THE WORK DONE BY THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE IN THE TOWN OF ACTON, FOR THE YEAR 1926

An appropriation of $\$ 300.00$ was made at the ammal meetingin support of the Middlesex County Extension Service, through the County Board of Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture. The following is an account of the work done by this organization in Acton for the year 1926.

In agriculture the principal work carried on was with those interested in fruit, asparagus, and poultry. A total of ninetytwo farm visits was made in giving personal assistance to those who requested it. Assistance was given at three poultry meetings held by the Middlesex County Poultry Association for the benefit of local poultrymen.

Local farmers interested in the Farmers Roadside Stand Association were given assistance by means of this organization. Four meetings were held, and aid was given in obtaining speakers in order that the work of the association could be carried out in the best possible way.

At the Acton Fair an agricultural and home economies exhibit was judged. Help was also rendered to the Boys and Girls Club exhibit, and judges furnished for several departments.

Forty-one women emrolled in a Food Preservation class to receive instruction in the most satisfactory methods to use in canning fruits and vegetables. Thirty were enrolled in a Food Selection class where the principles of preparation and selection of food were tanght with the idea of improving the general health of the family. Clothing work was conducted in West Acton and South Acton by means of local leaders.

Seventy-one boys and girls were enrolled in 4-H Club work, comprising six different clubs. Mrs. Madeline Howe, Mrs. R. Stoney, Mr. Hardy, and Mr. Charles Edney assisted with these local clubs. Two girls from South Acton,-Betty Howe and Helena Tucker,-were first and second in a state-wide caming contest at the Brockton Fair. Marion Stoney was Comity Champion in the clothing clubs. Mildred Fullerton and James Edney were awarded a two day trip to the Massachusetts Agricultural College for prominent club work.

Six motion picture shows were conducted with a total attendance of 826 .

In addition to the local meetings held, several comery-wide meetings were conducted, such as the comnty pienic at the Market Garden Field Station, the ammal meeting of the Extension Service at Waltham, and sectional meetings of fruitgrowers and poultrymen. These were attended by many Aeton people.

CHARLES B. WHLLET'T',

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT, 1926

Accessions: No. of volumes in the Library, Jan.1, 1926, 16,249.
Increase by purchase, 412, of which 6 were obtained by binding magazines. Increase by gift, 92. Total increase, 504.

No. of volumes in the Library Jan. 1, 1927, 16,753.
Circulation: Number of days the Library was opened, 102. Number of volumes circulated, 9,934 . Largest daily circulation, 179, on April 3. Smallest daily circulation, 24, on February 10. Daily average circulation, 97 plus.

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Hope, L. L.-The Bobbsey Twins on a Houseboat JH791bob5
Hope, L. L.-The Bobbsey Twins at Meadow Brook JH791bob6
Hope, L. L.-The Bobbsey Twins at Home
JH791bob7
Hope, L. L.-Six Little Bunkers at Indian John's
JH791sd
Howard, P. S.-The W. Chuck Family
JH851w
Hull, J. H.-Trail and Packhorse JH913t
Judd, M. C.-Wigwam Stories JJ92w
Judson, C. I.-The Camp at Gravel Point JJJ93c
Kempton, K. P.-Red Eagle Island JK32r
Knipe, A. A.-Bunny Plays the Game
Lamprey，L．－Children of Ancient Egypt ..... JL239e
Lansing，M．F．－Life in the Greenwood ..... JL2461
Large，L．A．－Little Stories of Famous Explorers ..... JL322lj
Lindsay，M．－The Toy Shop ..... JL749t
Long，W．J．－Little Brother to the Bear ..... JL84921Lynde，F．－The Cruise of the CuttlefishJL988e
McNeil，E．－Daniel DuLuth ..... JM1698d
Marshall，A．－John ..... JM3671j
Marshall，B．－Old Hickory＇s Prisoner JM36720
Marshall，E．－Campfire Courage JM13673c
Montgomery，L．L．－Miss Jeffrey＇s Neighborhood JMif86m
Munroe，K．－In the Heart of the Everglades JM968in
Murphy，M．－Patricia of New York JM978p
Murphy，M．－Patricia and the Other Girls ..... JM978ра
Orton，H．F．－The Lost Little Pig＇s ..... JOT7i
Otis，J．－Tddy and Carrots JOS8tePayson，H．－Boy Scouts under Fire in MexicoJP：3ヶ7bo
Perkins，L．F．－The American Twins of the Revolution JP449ani
Perkins，L．F．－Mr．Chick ..... JP449m
Perry．S．G．S．－Barbara of Telegraph Hill ..... ．JP46．5）
Phillips，E．C．－Little Sally Waters ..... ．JPちうど
Phillips，E．C．－Pretty Polly Perkins ..... ．Jア5．58p
Rankin，C．W．－Gipsy Nan ..... JRこ11gi
Raymond，E．－Dorothy on a Ranch ..... －JR268d1）
Raymond，E．－Dorothy at Oak Knowl ..... JR268d．
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s Home Party ..... JR26sde
Raymond，E．－Dorothy in C＇alifornia ..... JR2650ll
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s Travels ..... JRㄴ68dg
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s Triumph ..... JR260dh
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s Tour ..... JR268di
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s House Boat ..... JR268dj
Raymond，E．－Dorothy at Skyrie ..... JR268dk
Raymond，E．－Dorothy＇s Schooling ..... J R268dI
Raymond，E．－Dorothy ..... JR268dm
Robinson，M．L．－Little Lucia＇s School ..... ．JR663li
Scales，L．W．L．－Boys of the Ages ..... J9Sㄴ․ 9 b
Schultz，J．W．－William Jackson，Indian Scout ..... JS：387w
Seaman，A．H．－The Adventures of the Seven Keyholes ..... JS438a
Seaman，A．H．－The Secret of the Beach ..... JS438se
Sherman，J．W．－The Talkative Table ..... JS5532t
Shute，H．A．－Plupy，Benny and Pewt ..... JS5625p
Skinner，C．L．－Silent ScotJS628s
Smith，R．D．－－The Indian Canoe ..... JS6572i
Stein，E．－Child Songs of Cheer ..... JS819c
Theiss，L．E．－Aloft in the Shenandoah II． ..... JT376aTomlinson，E．T．－The Champion of the RegimentJT659ci
Tomlinson，E．T．－The Mystery of Ramapo Pass ..... JT659my
Tomlinson，E．T．－Scouting with General Funston ..... JT659sg

Wallace, D.-The Way to Burning Mountain JW188w
Warde, M.-The Holiday Book JW265h
Wheeler, F. R.-The Boy with the American Red Cross JW562bu
Wheeler, F. R.-The Boy with the U. S. Marines JW562bb
Wilson, J .F.-Scouts of the Desert JW749s
Wilson, M.-Klipper-Klopper JW751k

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## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## School Committee

and

## Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF ACTON<br>MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31.
1926


THE NEWS-ENTERPRISE hUDSON. MASS.

## ORGANIZATION

## School Committee

spencer H. Taylor, Chairman
Mrs. Lulu L. Clark
Mrs. Alice Carlisle
Frank Toohey
Mrs. Mary Richardson
Edgar Hall

Term expires 1929
Term expires 1929
Term expires 1927
Term expires 1927
Term expires 1928
Term expires 1928

## Superintendent

Charles WV. Lawrence, So. Acton, Mass.
Telephone 45-4

Attendance Officers
Oliver D. Wood
Harry Morse
Thomas Scanlon

School Physician
Dr. E. A. Mayell $\qquad$
School Nurse
Esther Robinson
West Acton

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1927
First short term begins January 3, 1929.
First short term ends February 18, 1927.
Second short term begins. Feb. 28, 1927.
Second short term ends April 15, 1927.
Third short term begins April 25, 1927.
High school graduation week of June 6-10, 1927.
Third short term ends June $\because 4.192 \overline{ }{ }^{7}$.
1927-1928
Fall term begins September 6, 1927.
Thanksgiving-School closes Nov. 23, 1927, and reopens Nov. 28, 1927.

Fall terms ends December 23, 1927.
First short term begins January 2, 1928.

## Legal Holidays

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, July 4, first Monday of September, October 12, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (the day following when any of the first four days mentioned, the 12th of October, or Christmas oceurs on Sunday).

Arbor Day falls on the last Saturday in April, and is not a legal holiday.

Flag Day falls on June 14, and is not a legal holiday. It should be observed by proper exercises by any school in session on that day.

The same is true of Armistice Day, November 11.

## STANDING RULES

Rule 1. Children shall not be admitted to the public schools until they are six years of age, excepting that children who are six by the first of January following opening of school in Sep)tember, may be admitted with the approval of the superintendent of schools.

Rule 2. Pupils shall be promoted from grade to grade and school to school according to merit. Thorough and satisfactory work will be required of pupils in a lower grade or school before entering a higher grade or school.

Rule 3. Children who have not. previonsly attended any school shall be admitted to the public schools only at the beginning of the fall term, unless qualified in the opinion of the teacher and superintendent of schools to do the work.

Rule 4. Pupils shall be held responsible for books loaned to them until returned to the teacher.

Rule 5. No repairs shall be made upon the public property in the care of the school committee except by their authorized agents.

Rule 6. There shall be no signal for "no school" on stormy or inclement days, but parents shall determine in their individual cases whether it is expedient to send their children to school or not.

Rule 7. Schools in the different Grade school Buildings shall be five and one quarter hours long, and in the High School Building shall be six hours long. In the High School Building the six hours shall include one five minute recess, one thirty minute recess for lunch and a compulsory tutoring period of thirty minutes for all students not receiving passing grades in any subject. Students in the High School Building, whose grades are above passing in all subjects may be excused from this compulsory tutoring period. Primary rooms in the Grade School Buildings shall have an outdoor recess each afternoon; other
rooms shall have a recess of sufficient length to allow pupils to go to basements and outhouses. Deviation from these hours shall be made only with the consent of the Superintendent, and shall be reported by him to the School Committee at its next monthly meeting.

Rule 8. Doors shall not be opened before principals arrive. Pupils may be allowed to come to their rooms with the permission of their room teachers. and pupils coming in barges may enter the basements, if weather conditions make it adrisable.

Rule 9. The fire drill shall be given at least once in two weeks.

## Teachers in Service, December 31, 1926

| Cchool Teacher App.Where Educated Home Addres.Center: |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |
| Martha F. Smith | 1902 | Lowell Normal | Acton |
| Marion L. Towne | 1921 | Smith | Concord |
| South: |  |  |  |
| Molly Gilligan | 1924 | Lowell Normal | Concord Jct. |
| Elise Dickerman | 1926 | Fitchburg Normal | al Ayer |
| Helga Neilsen | 1923 | Fitchburg Normal | Stow |
| Julia McCarthy | 1906 | Fitchburg Normal | 1 South Acton |
| West: |  |  |  |
| Maud B. Priest | 1922 | Fitchburg Normal | West Acton |
| Mildred H. Moore | 1925 | Leslie Kinder. | West Acton |
| Margery Stearns | 1925 | Fitchburg Normal | West Acton |
| Acton High, Junior Section: |  |  |  |
| Ella L. Miller | 1899 | Framingham Nor. | Acton |
| Mary Branley | 1925 | Hyannis Normal | So. Braintree |
| Olive Valente | 192.) | Framingham No. | Newton |
| Acton High School, Senior Section: |  |  |  |
| Charles W. Lawrance | 1925 | Mass. Inst. Tech. | South Acton |
| Winifred Bruce | 192.) | Boston Tniversity | W. Medford |
| William Felt | 1926 | Clark University | Northboro |
| Hazel Murray | 1925 | Boston Thiversity | W. Lymn |
| Mabel Noyes | 1925 | Wellesley | Nashua, N.H. |
| L. Ashley Rich | 192. | North L̇niversity | West Acton |
| E. Louise Turner | 1926 | 1926 Chandler | Hanorer |

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Voters of Acton:
The year 1926 has certainly been one of progress for the school Department.

The state released Acton from the Littleton, Acton, Carlisle, mion, allowing us to hire a much needed full time Superintendent. We were fortumate to procure Mr. Charles W. Lawrance, then with the Lexington High School, to be Principal of our High School, and Superintendent of Schools. Inder his supervision marked improvement has been made in our entire system.

Repairs and replacements to buildings and equipment have been carefully considered and attended to. Where necessary, new text books have been purchased. In the grade buildings electric lights have been installed in the remaining used class rooms. The West building has been painted outside. New blackboards have been installed in a portion of the South building. At the Centre a section of the ceiling in Miss Towne's room fell and more of it was badly cracked and sagged. This was replaced with a meta? ceiling. New chairs and desk tops were put in our grade schools. These have been needed for several years.

At the High School a start has been made to remove the apple tree stumps between the building and Mrs. Kelley's property and eventually we will have an athletic and recreation grounds for the students.

Our two busses have been a success and have shown a marked saving in our transportation expense.

We recommend that toilets be installed in the West school to improve sanitary conditions.

We are pleased to state that 1926 bills are settled and that we are turning a good balance from our appropriation back to the Town Treasurer.

We wish to thank the Superintendent and Teachers for their eo-operation throughout the year to raise the standard of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,
SPENCER H. TAYLOR, ('hairman.

## ESTIMATES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS

## FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1927

Salaries and other expenses of School Committee ..... $\$ 150.00$
Salaries and other expenses of Supt. and Enforcement of Law ..... 2,500.00
Clerk of Superintendent ..... 500.00
Salaries of Teachers ..... 24,800.00
Text Books (High and Elementary) ..... 2,000.00
Supplies (High and Elementary) ..... 1,000.00
Janitor's wages, fuel and misc. operating expenses ..... 7,100.00
Repairs ..... 1,500.00
Healtl, Auxiliary Agencies ..... 250.00
Transportation ..... 3,000.00
New Equipment ..... 200.00
Unclassified ..... 1,000.00
PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926
General Expenses
Expenses and salary of School Committee ..... \$135.79
Expenses and salary of Superintendent ..... 2,511.13
Expenses of Instruction
Salaries of Teachers, Principals and Supervisors ..... \$22,904. 18
Text Books (High) ..... 750.12
Text Books (Elementary) ..... 58..32
Stationery Supplies and Miscellaneous (High) ..... 1,343.73
Stationery Supplies and Miscellaneous (Elementary) ..... 660.61
Operating Expenses (High) ..... 3,046.0.
Operating Expenses (Elementary) ..... 4,112.06
Repairs (High) ..... 213.41
Repairs (Elementary) ..... 2,041.60
Libraries and Health ..... 200.00
Transportation ..... 2,022. 21
Special Allotment of Miscellaneous Expense ..... $-46.00$
Outlays ..... 30.00
New Equipment ..... 552.45
Vocational Education ..... 133.96
\$41,485.62
Balance returned to Treasurer ..... 2,514.38
Total Appropriation for 1926 $\$ 44,000.00$
Salaries of School Committee
Lulu L. Clark, secretary ..... $\$ 80.00$
Expenses of School Committee
Thomas Groom \& Co., Committee Rec. Books ..... $\$ 4.75$
C. IV. Lawrance. Reimburse for Grad. Expenses ..... 36.00
Wright \& Potter, New Account Book. Fillers ..... 15.04
Superintendent's Office, Salary and Travel Expenses and Enforcement of Law
Salary of Supt. Herman Knight. ..... $\$ 79.17$
Salary of Supt. C. W. Lawrance ..... $1,625.02$
Expenses of Supt. Travel, H. C. Knight ..... 22.03
Expenses of Supt. Travel, C. W. Lawrance. ..... 78.51
Miscel. Office Expenses, Reimbursement for Stamps, Express, Freight
H. ('. Knight ..... 12.85
C. IV. Lawrance ..... 51.26
Lulı L. Clark, for special clerk hire (Town Report) ..... 30.00
Student Clerk Hire ..... 315.26
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 139.88
Mrs. Nellie Stevens, Clerk L'nion 33 ..... 4.00
II. S. Horne \& Co., Fin. Report Forms ..... 15.20
C. F. Williams \& Sons, Application Forms. ..... 5. 66
Hadley Press, Letter Heads ..... 26.00
W. B. Currier, Stamped Envelopes ..... $34.6 \pm$
Burroughs Add. Mach. Co., Ribbon ..... 75
J. L. Hammett \& Co. ..... 7.7 .5
Yawman \& Erbe Co., Filing Equip. Cards, Folders, Indexes ..... 21.15
Rand Kardex Co.. School Attendance Forms, Elementary ..... г. 00
A. N. Hederstedt, Columbian Envelopes ..... 3.00(ensus Taking, Pet. 1, \$12.00; Pet. 2,$\$ 12.00$; Pct. 3, $\$ 10.00$34.00

## Salaries of Supervisors and Teachers

supervisors, Minsic and Drawing ..... $\$ 4.5 .00$
High, Principal and Teachers ..... 10,193.30
Elementary, Principal and Teachers 12.25 .5 .88
$\$ 2.2,904.18$
Text Books (High)
Benj. Sanborn ..... $\$ 12.07$
J. L. Hammett ('o ..... 1.57
DeWolfe \& Fiske ..... 18.12
Macmillan \& Co. ..... 23.94
Allyn \& Bacon ..... 140.56
old Corner Book Store ..... 4.00
Ginn \& Co. ..... 178.31
Harlow Publ. Co. ..... 1.18
Edward E. Babb ..... 112. 51
D. C. Heath ..... 45.05
Gregg Publishing Co. (Commercial Books) ..... 27.33
Houghton Mifflin Co. ..... 30.66
The Hadley Press ..... 3.11
American Book Co. ..... 4.80
Ryan \& Buker (History Books) ..... 4.34
Little Brown Co. ..... 5.7.3
C. C. Birchard \& Co. (Music Books) ..... $1: 34.40$
Charles Homeyer (Music Books) ..... 1.41
Oliver Ditson (Music Books) ..... 1.03

## Text Books (Elementary)

C. H. Congdon ..... \$1.89
DeWolfe \& Fiske ..... 90
Wm. Thayer, atlas ..... 13.14
Ginn \& Co., music ..... 112.39
Charles Scribners Sons ..... 36.50
Scott Foresman \& Co. ..... 202.32
American Book Co. ..... 141.10
Allyn \& Bacon ..... 66.00
The Macmillan Co. ..... 8.08
10
Stationery Supplies and Miscellaneous (High)
Edward E. Babb ..... $\$ 24.42$
Ryan \& Buker ..... 14.19
J. L. Hammett \& Co., from 1925, $\$ 218.20$,paper, drawing supplies, pencils, ink,pens, etc.819.56
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., laboratory note books ..... 77.29
Emerson \& Co., rubber stamps ..... 6.12
J. S. Moore, lunch room equipment ..... 1.65
A. W. Davis, express ..... 12.65
Office Appliance (o., stencils ..... 83.68
Ginn \& C'o., students' maps, etc. ..... 53.52
C'ambridge Botanical Supply Co., rubber apron, chemistry ..... 93
Jordan Marsh Co., graduation supplies ..... 9.60
Finney \& Hoit ..... 7.60
Lexington Hardware Co., stainless knives ..... 4.50
Vamah Lithograph Co., diploma plates and diplomas ..... 155.00
L. A. Rich, reimbursement ..... 4.19
Pierce's Express ..... 1.75
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 6.00
The Hadley Press, report cards, study forms ..... 58.25
Acton Drug Co. ..... 1.85
South Acton Woolen Co. ..... 58

\$1,343.73
Stationery Supplies and Miscellaneous (Elementary)
Milton Bradley ('o., paints ..... $\$ 63.06$
World Book Co. ..... 1.76
Fimmey \& Ioit ..... 1.50
Dowling School Supply, pencils, primary ..... 8.14
(.. C. Birchard Co., music ..... 3.68
J. L. Hammett ('o., composition paper, drawing paper, pencils, doormats ..... 395.32
Fuller Brush Co., brushes, brooms ..... 16.87
Hall Brothers ..... 6.55
A. N. Hederstedt ..... 80
Frank Johmson, elementary report cards ..... 10.23
A. W. Davis Co. ..... 5.90
A. W. Davis (pers.), trucking ..... 4.73
The Hadley Press, report cards ..... 18. 50
National Child Welfare Association, Inc. ..... 10.00
Scott Foresman \& Co. ..... 50.35
Ryan \& Buker, wall map equipment ..... 62.97
Acton Drug Co. ..... 2.5
Operating Expenses (High School)
Janitors and Fuel
Wages of Janitor and Expenses ..... $\$ 1.0663 .32$
South Acton Woolen C'o., coal ..... \$964.26
Edgar Hall, demurrage ..... 2.00
A. W. Davis, trucking coal ..... 81.1!
John Pederson, trucking coal ..... 25
Jesse A. Brigess, trucking coal ..... $4+0(1)$
James Frence, cutting woor ..... -5. 00
Joseph Gagnon, cutting wood ..... 31.50
Greenough Construction C'o., hauling wood ..... 12.00
II. Butler, sawing wood ..... 11.88
('has. A. Durkee, kindling ..... 10.00
has. A. Otrkee, Kimıne ..... 0
$\$ 1.211 .8: 3$
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses (High)
E. E. Gray, cleaning materials and lunch room supplies ..... $\$ 4.93$
A. W. Davis, trucking freight, January supplies ..... 74.71
(. W. Lawrance, reimbursement for emer- gency labor, high school ..... $+.00$
Fuller Brush C'o. broom and brushes ..... 6.00
W. \& S. Water Supply Districts, water ..... 37.26
Wilkinson \& ('ompany, hardware ..... 34.08
Claflin \& Co., paper towels, toilet paper, fix- tures ..... $77.2(0$
Finney \& Hoit, racum sweeper cord, eloth ..... 92. 17
J. S. Moore ..... 3.50
Herbert M. Lawrance, rental waxer ..... $-.00$
George Richardson, reimbursement ..... 9.75
American Woolen C'o., light, power ..... $\because 90.65$
Fuelite Natural Gas C'o. ..... 99.00
L. M. Glorer, floor oil and liquid soap ..... 32.50
Acton Drug Co. ..... 1.55
Commissioner of Public Safety, inspecting boiler ..... 5.00
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 60Total High School Operating Expenses$\$ 3,046.05$
Repairs (High)
Orson A. Balch, labor ..... $\$ .57 .20$
Orville P. Tucker, shelves in closets ..... 112.29
George W. Jamison, painting shelves in closets ..... 38.20
Allen Chair Co., repair parts, hinges, etc. ..... 4.17
William B. Holt, plumbing ..... 1.55
\$213.41
Operating Expenses (Elementary)
Wages of Janitors ..... \$2,146.75
Fuel :
South Acton Coal and Lumber Co., coal ..... $1,560.52$
Hall Bros., wood ..... $\$ 150.00$
Hall Bros., kindling ..... 6.00
C. A. Durkee, kindling ..... 20.00
H. Butler. sawing ..... 27.50
Total Wood ..... 203.50
Miscellaneous:
American Woolen Co., lights ..... 62.98
Fred W. Green, cleaning vaults ..... 11.00
J. W. Livermore, labor ..... 1.50
J. M. Glover, floor oils and soap ..... 32.14
American Radiator, brush ..... 61
Finney \& Hoit ..... 4.25
J. S. Moore ..... 1.00
Claflin \& Co., paper towels and toilet paper ..... 21.00
West and South Water Supply ..... 59.91
Fuller Brush Co. ..... 6.90
Total Miscellaneous ..... 201.29
Total Elementary Operating Expenses ..... \$4,112.06
Repairs (Elementary)
E. Z. Stanley, repairs, boiler, center building ..... \$18.80
W. B. Holt, repairs, furnaces, center, south, west ..... 146.28
Oliver D. Wood, flagpole, center ..... 5.00
John S. Hoar, repairs, west ..... 9.15
Theron Newton, summer labor, south ..... 21.10
Noel Christion, labor, desks ..... 10.00
John Ruble, labor, desks ..... 10.00
Allen Chair Company, desk tops and labor ..... 486.05
A. W. Davis, trucking ..... 2.00
L. E. Heinze, clocks ..... 7.00
L. T. Fullonton, painting west building ..... 339.00
Orvill P. Tucker, repairs, windows, doors, blackboards, south and west buildings ..... 94.00
George Jamison, painting and varnishing south and west building's ..... 61.35
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company ..... 2.22
(harles E. Smith, new ceiling, center, paint- ing, carpentering, and repairs ..... 212.09
B. A. King, electric lights, center, south, and west ..... 305.00
M. E. Taylor, repair material, center ..... 6.43
Wm. Thayer, blackboards, slatebestos ..... 64.43
New England Slate Blackboard Company, cement ..... 6.22
Greenough Construction Company, gravel, south ..... 9.00
Kemey Bros. \& Wolkins, new chair seats ..... 226.48
Auxiliary Agencies
Health (Elementary):
E. Mayell, M. D., medical inspection and supervision ..... $\$ 150.00$E. Mayell, M. D., medical inspection andsupervision50.00
Total Health Supervision ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transportation
Lowell Bus Lines, balance from 1925 ..... $\$ 62.00$
Bus, Precinct I:
Wages of Drivers:
A. Christofferson ..... $\$ 298.50$
J. Briggs ..... 222.00$\$ 520.50$
Storage:
A. Christofferson ..... $\$ 72.00$
Mrs. I. Macfregor ..... 24.00
96.00
Gas and Oil:
George L. Noyes ..... \$98.38
A. W. Davis ..... 62.27
Repairs and Overhauling:Gately Motor Co.$\$ 36.90$
Acton Motor Co. ..... 31.20
Insurance and Registration :
Paul Hederstedt ..... 167.30
Total for Routes I ..... \$1,012.55
Bus, Precinct II :
Wages of Driver:
Carl Christofferson ..... $\$ 520.50$
Storage:
A. Christofferson ..... 96.00
Gas and Oil :
Highland Filling Station ..... \$87. 11
Maynard \& Acton Oil Co. ..... 25.00
Fletcher Corner Filling Sta- tion ..... 11.30
68.10

123.41
Repairs and Overhauling:
Gately Motor Co. ..... 36.90
Mayac Garage, emergency ..... 1.00
J. S. Moore, paint ..... 2.20
Finney \& Hoit, brush ..... 35
Insurance and Registration:
Paul Hederstedt ..... 167.30
Total Routes II\$947. 66
Total Transportation ..... \$2,022. $21^{\circ}$
Miscellaneous Expenses
Special Allotments-High School Expenses for Fall of 1925:
West Acton Baptist Church, repairs account ..... $\$ 200.00$
A. N. Hederstedt, rental of hall, store, and services ..... 46.00
Outlays-High School Grounds
V. T. Esten, blasting ..... $\$ 26.00$
George Briggs, helper ..... 4.00

## New Equipment

Superintendent's Office:
Iawman \& Erbe, shelves for safe ..... $\$ 5.40$
High School:
L. E. Knott Apparatus C'o., geometrical models ..... 12.60
L. C. Smith Co., typerriter ..... 70.00
New England Slate Blackboard Co., room 13, high school ..... 120.00
Allen C'hair Co., desks, chairs for bookeep- ing and typing rooms. ..... 80.50
J. L. Hammett Co., bulletin boards ..... 36.00
Elementary Schools:
Allen Chair Co., tablet arm-chairs, primarychairs:
Precinct 1 ..... 48.00
Special Room. Precinct II ..... 179.95
Vocational Training
Tuition, C'ity of Lowell ..... \$115. 40
Transportation ..... 18.56

$\$ 552.45$

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Committee,
Town of Acton, Mass.
Ladiess and Gentlemen:
It is an honor to present herewith my first annual report as superintendent of the schools of Acton, as well as the second annual report as Principal of the Acton High School.

My first duties as Superintendent were to become acquainted with the schools, their teachers, work and equipment, which had been added to my charge. I found that the buildings, though old, were still serviceable for a time to come, although they all will need extensive internal repairs in a very few years, if they are to be continued in service. Almost all of the desk tops were in very bad shape from years of marring and no repair. It was literally impossible on the majority of the desks for a child to write a line on a foolscap sheet without moving his paper to keep his pencil from slipping into the grooves. Many seats were broken. Many rooms had no electric lights.

The School Committee adopted a policy of bringing these necessary school room fixtures and equipment up to a good state of repair, and at the same time not allowing the exterior repairs to be neglected. 28.2 new desk tops have been placed on the old boxes, at a cost which is a fraction of the cost of new desks. Every school room in common daily use has been equipped with electric lights, leaving only one, which is now a spare room, not equipped. Fourteen feet of slate blackboard 30 inch wide have been salvaged from discarded and unused slate sections and installed in South building, together with over 126 square feet of new composition blackboard. One hundred new chair seats of comfortable and especially rugged design have been installed in the Center building and the South building. Other old seats have been repaired and put back in service. Further repairs of this sort are contemplated.

It is found that the teaching effort of the elementary schools can be made more effective immediately by revising our curricula, or plans of study in the three R's in all grades. A detailed study and plan for work in reading and language is being worked on, using the best material available. A good systematic series of readers and language books has been installed in certain grades. This should be followed by further new book equipment as the curriculum is developed towards a unified system. This kind of work demands and deserves the unremitting thought and care of every teacher and supervisor.

We have three school buildings housing Grades I to VI inclusive, making a total of 18 small, more or less correctly graded units. There are nine teachers for these six grades, all of whom have to instruct two grades or three grades at the same time. Six teachers have charge of two grades, and two teachers have charge of three grades. This gives each teacher a roomful of children, but with a very wide age distribution. It is easy to see, that in a two-grade room one class can get at the most, only one-half of the teacher's time and effort; in a three-grade room only onethird. Because of these conditions and especially the large numbers of pupils and relatively large age distribution in South School, an assistant has had to be employed in that building. She devotes her time each day to intensive work, part of the day with Grade II and the rest with Grade Y. The employment of this assistant relieves one situation.

If these groups were gathered together there would be formed, six good sized graded classes, which for many years would be within the abilities of good teachers, one grade per teacher. The sizes of such classes can be gathered from the census of October 1, 1926, shown in the table below. The braces indicate the number of children now committed to the instruction of each teacher. The approximate size of graded classes can be seen from the "total" column.

Grade I
Grade II
Grdae III
Grade IV
Grade V
Grade VI
Totals

| Center | South | West |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| School | School | School | Total |
| (11 | [23 | S19 | 53 |
| 10 | 24 | \{12 | 46 |
| 10 | \}13 | \}18 | 41 |
| 13 | 14 | 12 | 39 |
| 11 | \}21 | \}14 | 46 |
| 10 | $\{17$ | \{14 | 41 |
| 6.5 | 112 | 89 | 266 |

Since early in March, 1926, the seventh and eighth grades have been moved from the three precinct schools to the rooms prepared for them in the High School building. Here the children are grouped together in single grades to a room under one teacher, and much of their preparation has been evened up. These classes are being instructed, recite and study under undivided supervision of a teacher throughout the school day. They are being built into more compact units of a fully graded school system, and the results are well worth the change. Moreover they share the facilities of the assembly hall, the lunch and cooking rooms and the library and they associate with the students of the senior section of the High School. When properly used these are advantages of great value to the teachers who are guiding children through the troublesome years of adolescence.

The High School has steadily grown into a well-knit school. In spite of the handicaps under which pupils and teachers worked until the very end of June, 1926, the instruction of that year proved satisfactory.

The hard year's work was capped by the graduation of Acton's first class from the new High School, the first for years. The exercises that celebrated this first graduation had a beauty which lingers long as a pleasant memory. Great credit is due to the students and their faculty advisors, for the speeches, to Miss Albrecht and her assistants for the delightful music. and to Mr. Gardner, the speaker of the evening. The graduation program and list of graduates follows :

## Commencement Program

## 1. March

2. Senior Class Greetings
3. "Carmena"
4. Address

High School Orchestra Marion S. Fobes
Double Quartet Mr. Harry Gardner, Deputy ('ommissioner of Education, State of Massachusetts
5. "Landing of the Pilgrims"
"Oh, Miss Hannah"
6. Class Histor:

Double Quartet Sumner J. Teele

7. Vocal Solo<br>Leona B. Albrecht<br>8. Warrior Bold<br>Atice Where Art Thon<br>Two Grenadiers<br>9. Valedictory<br>10. Moonlight Serenade<br>La Spagnola<br>11. Presentation of Diplomas<br>High School Chorus<br>A. A. Hodgen<br>High School Chorus<br>Mr. Spencer Taylor, Chairman of School Committee<br>Reception by Seniors to Parents and Friends (In Rear of the Auditorium)

## Graduating Class of 1926

Dorothy Mabel Jones<br>Viola Isabel Merriam

Grace Eleanor Chickering
John Henry Ingman
John Francis Emneguess
Marion Sturtevant Fobes
Ruth Billings Fullonton Ethel Olive (iranberg Albert Thompson (irimes Ruth ('hristine VanWinkle

The High School reopened in September, 1926, with the addition of fifteen students from Boxboro, with an musnally large entering class and with many others moving to town, carrying the registration to 135 , as compared with 102 for the opening of school in September, 1925. Every effort was made to see that the new members were welcomed to the school and made to feel at home as soon as possible. The work this year has been of a much harder grade than the year before and approaches more nearly the standards accepted for the better grade of High School. Disappointnent has been expressed at times that student's marks are not always high, which would show, perhaps that the school is not doing its full part by the student. In reality the standards are stiffened, and more and better work than ever before is being demanded. The quality of work is approaching the standards reguired to successfully meet the College Entrance Board Examinations. The work of the Commercial Department is of a srade practically parallel to the College Course. It is the duty of the teachers and the superintendent to maintain the highest standards of work, in order to justity the existence of this school.

The work in Domestic Science has been begm with classes in cooking. Classes in sewing will be started at a very earl?
date. Other classes relating to home planning and management will be given later. A teacher has been engaged to organize the work and to teach these classes. The instruction is given mostly to girls of the 7 th, 8 th, and 9 th grades, with a class from the rest of the senior High School. It is not the aim to give a complete Domestic Science course for all years in the High School, but one which will give the rounger girls thorough instruction in the basic work of housekeeping.

The High School lacks proper athletic facilities for its teams and school games. Last Spring a West Acton citizen courteonsly and generously allowed the boys and girls of the High School to use his fields by his home for practice and games. This enabled the school to put a baseball team on the field. The season was reasonably successful and it showed a high promise of what can be done with proper facilities in the future. A levelled and properly equipped field, suitable for baseball, field hockey and football should be provided for Spring and Fall sports. The present fiekl, which is next to the High School building and which is partially cleared, is a good beginning. Some gymnasium or large hall should also be provided for basketball and other intramural, competitive sports, as well as corrective gymnastics and athletic drills during the long winter months. The students are providing their own personal team equipments, but are not able to provide the bigger facilities of field and hall.

Every school consists of the three essential parts, the pupils, the buildings and equipment, and the teachers. The pupils are the sole reasons for the schools, although they often consider themselves the most hardly used factor of the three. Buildings and equipment which are in a high degree of repais. inspire and make good work possible in place of mediocre work. To the teachers of every school and grade therefore, it is an honor to express my appreciation for the high professional spirit they have shown in their work this past year. This appreciation is shared by the persons who know their work and achievements intimately.

Respectfully submitted,

## CHARLES W. LA WRAN(H,

Supt. of Schools and Principal High School

## REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. C. W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools:

## Dear Sir:

This is the best opportunity possible for me to put down what drawing means to the child in the public school.

Art is not always a necessity as regards our total existence, but it is a necessity to civilization.

In our design work we are overcoming disorder in balance and color. In some of our representation, scenes, figures, posters, paper cutting, and interior decoration, we are trying to show how loveliness, happiness, and more satisfaction can grow out of some of the ugly settings which have to do with every-day life. The object of our teaching is not to make an artist of the child, but if he will learn to love art it will seep into his personality, soul, and character, making his life more beautiful.

The object of our art work is:
1st. We are trying to develop the power of listening and observation, along with the appreciation of the beautiful, with an intelligent interest. Later in the year we will study some of the great masterpieces of famous artists.

2nd. We are leading and encouraging the impulse to reproduce with the individual touch. Science and art are closely related. This is to be seen a great deal in the designs already completed, and will continue later in our construction work.

3rd. We are trying to secure a genuine creative effort which is a higher kind of thought.

Tracing is never going to bring about drawing as a universal language, and it is therefore avoided in our supervision.

Some work is not of the highest rank but it always answers the problem we are striving for in their expression.

I heartily thank all of the teachers and the superintendent for their kind co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
JEANETTE C. LANDREVILLE,
Art Supervisor.

## REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

The School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools :
In the music work of the Acton Grade Schools the aim has been to first establish good tone quality, then rhythm, and a good song repertory. The children have been given an ample song repertory of suitable songs to be sung musically and intelligently, individually as well as collectively. This song work teaches the child to use a good singing voice, increases the appreciation of beauty, and stimulates a sense of rhythm and pitch. Tone quality and correct use of the singing voice are the first essentials we always keep before us. In Grades I and II the work is to a certain degree taught by imitation. Special attention and individual work is given to Monotones. The child is a monotone usually, not because he can't sing, but because he can't hear. The sense of hearing is the most important thing in music and in the lower grades the children are learning to listen and in the upper grades they are listening to learn.

The lesson usually consists of (1) Vocal Drill, (2) Familiar ${ }^{-}$ Songs, (3) Listening and Identifying Lessons, (4) Presentation. of New Material or a Review of the Old, (5) Familiar Songs.

In Grades III and IV we continue the Listening Lessons. We specialize on much sight reading and individual work.

In Grades $V$ and VI we review the material used before and continue with work of increasing difficulty.

Two part singing.
In all the grades, but in these two especially, we try to give much attention to interpretation which includes: Tone Quality, Tempo, Expression, Phrasing, Pronunciation, Enunciation.

In the Junior High School as in all other Junior High Schools we have the problem of the infant adult. The child is vivid and restless. The material in the class is good and a way must be devised to bring it to the top. One device would be the organization of a club. I have already spoken to the boys of the possibilities of a Harmonica Club. The enthusiastic response with which it was greeted shows that the boys have a liking for music and the "gang" instinct could be utilized here to bring out the self-expression of the boy and make him forget his self-consciousness. It will also give them an interest in music which will be a great aid. Little by little I can see the false impressions that these boys have acquired on music fast disappearing, and I hopethat the work will prove to be much better as a result.

The High School Chorus has reached the point where the students can sing the four-part selections we use, artistically. At
the same time they are being bronght into contact with good melody and harmony．Every boy and girl in the chorus wishes to be able to participate in the singing of good music and wishes to be able to use the voice properly：

If the work is carried on and more time is eventually given to it the final result should be a Class A High School Chorus－A Junior High School Chorus－A High School Glee Club－Orehes． tra and other musical organizations and clubs．

I sincerely hope that the outcome will be such．
To the teachers of the various schools I am deeply grateful for the assistance which they have given so willingly during the year．Their assistance has been steady and generous．

Respectfully submitted，

MARY（゙，WHLLHAl゙くた。

supervisor of Musie．

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr．C．W．Lawrance，
Superintendent of S＇chools， Acton，Massachusetts．

## Dear Sir ：

The following is my ammal report as Medical Inspector of Schools．

The year as a whole has been a healthy one for our school children．In November our physical examinations were inter－ rupted by an outbreak of scarlet fever ；fortunately the cases were detected early and quarantined，and we escaped an epidemic．

All of the cases were of a mild type．
Total number of visits to schools 58
Total number of pupils examined ．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． 4.57
Results of examinations will be found in the nurse＇s report．
During the year we have had the Schick test for diphtheria and a goiter clinic，both conducted by the State Department of Health．

I wish to thank the superintendent，teachers，murses and the town＇s people for their co－operation．

Respectfully submitted．
E．A．MAYELL．M．D．

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

School Report from January 1st to November 16, 1926
No. of Pupils in Schools ..... 455
No. of Pupils Weighed and Measured ..... 162
No. of Pupils Examined by Doctor ..... 395
No. of Pupils with Defects ..... 365
No. of Pupils Examined for Pediculosis ..... 1,561
Defects :
Tonsils ..... 126
Adenoids ..... 15
Teeth ..... 317
Lungs ..... 10
Skin ..... 6
Heart ..... 45
Glands of the Neck
Thyroid ..... 75
Anterior and Posterior Cervical ..... 100
Others ..... 10
Defective Posture ..... 36
Scalp-Dandruff ..... 16
Pediculosis ..... 0
Examined for Sore Throat ..... 97
Excluded for Sore Throat ..... 3
Examined for Illness ..... 21
Excluded for Illness ..... 8
Measles ..... 44
Scarlet Fever. ..... 2
Talks on Hygiene ..... 14
Sanitary Inspection of Schools ..... 8
Simple Dressings ..... 51
Excluded from School on Account of Illness in Home ..... 6
Diabetes ..... 1
Nephritis ..... 1
Cases of Impetigo ..... 0
Cases of Accident ..... 1
Home Visits for School Follow-up Work ..... 214
School Children Taken to Clinic ..... 0
Tonsil and Adenoid (llinic at Migh School ..... 1 (28)
Schick Test ..... 128
Visits to Boxboro Schools ..... 3.Cast off clothing distributed to several children.Respectfully submitted,
Report on School Work from Nor. 15, 1926, to Dec. 31, 192
No. of Pupils Examined by Doctor (yearly physicals) ..... 62
No. of Pupils Weighed and Measured ..... $-90$
Defects:
No. of Pupils with Defective Tonsils ..... -24
No. of Pupils with Defective Adenoids ..... 5
No. of Pupils with Defective Teeth ..... 33
No. of Pupils with Defective Lungs ..... 0
No. of Pupils with Defective Hearts ..... 1
No. of Pupils with Defective Skin ..... 1
No. of Pupils with Defective Nutrition ..... 0
$7 \%$ underweight ..... 11
$10 \%$ underweight ..... 1
$15 \%$ underweight ..... 2
Glands of the Neck:
Thyroid ..... 3
Anterior and Posterior Cervical ..... 37
Defective Posture ..... 7
Scalp:
Pediculosis ..... 17
Excluded for Pediculosis ..... 17
Home Visits for Pediculosis ..... 2
Eyes and Lars Examined ..... 228
Notices Sent Home for Defective Eyes ..... 24
Excluded for Sore Throat ..... 3
Excluded on Account of Scarlet Fever in Family ..... 2
Communicable Diseases ..... 2
Follow-up Visits for Communicable Diseases ..... 110
Follow-up Visits on Absentees ..... 79
Individual Instruction ..... 141
Simple Dressings ..... 46
Hygiene Talks ..... 10
Sanitary Inspection of Schools ..... 8
Fire Drill ..... :
All class rooms visited daily except Iligh School. Yisits to Boxboro Schools ..... 2

Respectfully submitted, ESTHER A. ROBINSON, R. N.

## THE MEMORIAL TABLETS PLACED IN THE ACTON HIGH SCHOOL

Especial interest centers around the memorial tablets erected in the High School building.

From them much can be learned of Acton's past histories and the activities of many of the prominent men and women.

On the lower floor are the following memorial bronze tablets.
Auditorium of Iligh School:
BLANCHARD HALL Given in Memory of LCKE BLANCHARD 1826-1901 Merchant of Boston And
JERUSHA VOSE BLANCHARD 1826-1909
LOYAL. CITIZENS OF ACTON By Their Son
ARTHUR F. BLANCHARD
1926
Cooking Room:
The Furnishings of This Room
Were Given as a Memorial to
VARNTM BALFOTR MEAD 1832-1908
and
DIREXA ELIZABETH MEAD
1835-1900
By Their Children
George Varnum Mead
Frederic Stearns Mead
Adelbert Francis Mead
Typewriting Room:
OLIVER WARREN MEAD
1823-1912
A prominent ('itizen Active in
Promoting Higher Education and
The General Welfare of the TOWN OF ACTON
For More Than Fifty Years
This Tablet Erected by His
Children in Affectionate Remembrance

Science Room:
The Fittings and Furnishings of this Room
Were Given by the Children of GEORGE CLEVELAND WRIGH'T
and
SUSAN HASKELL DAVIS WRIGH'T
As a Memorial to Their Parents both of Whom Were Life Long Residents of this Town

## $1823-1910$ <br> GEORGE CLEVELAND WRIGHT

Served this District as its Representative to the
General Court 1873-1874. He was a prosperous
Merchant, a wise counsellor, a generous sympathetic
Friend of Those in Distress, and Foremost in all Community Work
He was a direct descendant of
Deacon John Wright of Woburn, 1640
SUSAN HASKELL DAVIS WRIGHT
Was Born Within One-half Mile of this Spot.
Before Her Marriage She Taught in All But Two
School Districts of this Town. She was a Prime Factor in lier Husband's Success. She was a Grand

Niece of Capt. Isaac Davis shot by the British Soldiers April 19, 1775 at Concord, and a Direct
Descendant in the Eighth Generation of Dolor Davis
1635, Husband of Margery Willard, Sister of
Major Simon Willard of Concord Who Bought Much Land From the Indians in this Vicinity.

ACTON HIGH SCHOOL
Completed A. D. 1926
Building Committee

William Rawitzer
George A. Richardson
Waldo E. Whitcomb
Architect - John H. Bickford
Builders - Duncan Construction Co.
John F. Cabeen
THE BRONZE LANTERNS
Are Given
In Loving Memory of
DAYID R. RAWITYER
Br: His Parents

Lpstairs are the following:
Room 12 and Room 11, Sophomore Ifome Room and Junior Home Room:

The Furnishings
of
These Two East Rooms
Are Given in Memory of VARNCM TUTTLE

1823-1904
A Life Long Resident of the TOWN OF ACTON

Room 10, Senior Home Room:
This Room is Furnished In Memory Of EMERY, W' ('LARK $1870-1923$
V'aledictorian of the class of 1886
The first class graduated from THE A('TON HIGH S(TIOOL

Front Rooms, used by (irades V'II and V'Ill:
The Furnishings of these Rooms
Are in Memory of
FREDERICK (. NASH
Formerly superintendent of schools For
The Town of Acton and
CLARA LAPGOOD NASII
In her Youth a Teacher
West Room, No. 15:
The F'urnishings of this Room were given In Memory of
DELETTE II. HALA 1843-1920
Served through the Civil War in Co. E 26th Regiment Mass. Vol. Inf.
With General Butler in the Gulf Department and with Ceneral Sheridan in the Shemandoah Valley $1861-1865$
A Loyal Soldier and an honored citizen Representative to the General Court 1906 and
SLSAN A. WETHERBEE HALL
1845-1922

The Library and Reading Rooms:

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM<br>A memorial to<br>1831 LUTHER CONANT 1922<br>and his wife<br>1837 SUSAN AUGUSTA CONANT 1903<br>By Their Children 1926

Northwest Room:
This Room is Furnished In Memory Of
1728 COLONEL FRANCIS FAULKNER 1805
Upright In Character, Wise In Comsel, Faithful In Service
Member Of Provincial Congress 1774, Colonel of Middlesex
Regiment 1755
Delegate To Constitutional Convention 1779
Representative To The General Court 1783-1785
As Chairman Of The Committee Of Safety His Signal Gun Was Fired Three Times Before Daybreak April 19, 1775, Which Signal Was Repeated From Every Farm House The Sounds Growing Fainter In The Distance. The Acton Minute-Men Assembled At The Faulkner And Davis Homesteads, Then Marched With Captain Davis To Concord Bridge.
In Peace He Was A Leading Citizen In All Public Interests. He Developed At The Fanlkner Mills, South Acton, One Of The Earliest Cloth Mills Of This Country. The Wool, After Carding, Was Distributed To The Homes For Spinning And Wearing, Then Returned To The Mill For Fulling, Dyeing, And Dressing. Prizes Were Awarded For The Finest Specimens In Home Made Broadcloth.

And His Grandson
1805 COLONEL WINTHROP E. FAULKNER 1880
Member Of The State Senate 1853-1854
Director Of The Fitchburg Railroad 1855-187.
Genial, Hospitable, Public-Spirited, A Leader In The Military, Musical, Social, And Civic Activities Of Acton.

Given By His Daughter In 1926
SOPHLA FAULKNER (AMPBELL

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## Town of Acton <br> MASSACHUSETTS

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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1927

MODERATORAllen Brooks Parker
SELECTMEN
Murray Brown Term expires 1928
Howard J. Biltings Term expires 1929
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1930
TOWN CLERK
Horace F. Tuttle
TOWN TREASURERFrank W. Hoit
ASSESSORS
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1928
Arthur W. Emerson Term expires 1929
Henry L. Haynes ..... Term expires 1930
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
Howard J. Billings Term expires 1928
Murray Brown ..... Term expires 1928
Waldo E. Whitcomb ..... Term expires 1928
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles A. Durkee
TREE WARDEN James O'Neil
CONSTABLES
John T. McNiff
*Jesse A. Briggs
Charles A. Durkee
*Did not take the oath.
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Horace F. Tuttle ..... Term expires 1928
Fred W. Green ..... Term expires 1929
Wendell F. Davis

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mary L. Richardson Term expires 1928
Edgar H. Hall Term expires ..... 1928
Spencer H. Taylor Term expires ..... 1929
Lulu L. Clark Term expires ..... 1929
Alice M. Carlisle Term expires ..... 1930
Frank Toohey Term expires ..... 1930
TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires 1928
J. Sidney White Term expires 1929
Lucius A. Hesselton Term expires ..... 1930
BOARD OF HEALTH
George H. Tuttle Term expires 1928
Raymond F. Durkee ..... Term expires 1929
Frank E. Tasker Term expires 1930
TRUSTEES OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND
William H. Kingsley Term expires 1928
Warren H. Jones ..... Term expires 1929
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1930
TRUSTEES OF THE WEST ACTON FIREMAN'S RELIEF FUND
August N. Hederstedt ..... Term expires 1928
C. D. Cram ..... Term expires 1929
Edgar H. Hall Term expires 1930
TRUSTEES OF GOODNOW FUND
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires 1928
Charles E. Smith Term expires 1929
Charlotte Conant Term expires 1930
Appointments by the Selectmen
FINANCE COMMITTEE
James B. Tuttle Frank W. Hoit Alfred W. Davis
William Rawitser, George A. Richardson, Webster S. Blanchard
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS
Albert H. Perkins
TOWN ACCOUNTANTHoward L. Jones
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Edwin A. Phalen ..... Term expires 1928
Charles J. Holton ..... Term expires 1929
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jor. ..... Term expires 1930
Horace F. Tuttle, ex-officio
ELECTION OFFICERS
Precinct 1
Warden James W. Coughlin
Deputy Warden George A. Murphy
Clerk Arthur W. Wayne
Deputy Clerk Spencer H. Taylor
Inspector Arthur W. Davis
Deputy Inspector ..... Willis L. Holden
lnspector Leo F. McCarthy
Deputy Inspector Harold Coughlin
Precịnct 2
Warden Lucius A. Hesselton
Deputy Warden Theron F. Newton
Clerk John J. Manning
Deputy Clerk Thomas Murray
Inspector Lewis C. Hastings
Deputy Inspector ..... Frank A. Merriam
Inspector Timothy Hennessey
Deputy Inspector William Hayes
Precinct 3
Warden Bertram D. Hall
Deputy Warden Fred S. Whitcomb
('lerk David R. Kinsley
Deputy Clerk Frank McDonald
Inspector ..... A. R. Beach
Deputy Inspector Arnold Leavitt
Inspector James Kinsley
Deputy Inspector Guy P. Littlefield
CATTLE INSPECTOR
Fred S. Whitcomb
FIRE ENGINEERSFrank W. Hoit, Chief
ASSISTANT ENGINEERS
Precinct 1
Alan B. Frost
Precinct 2
John J. Manning
Precinct 3
Alfred W. Davis
FOREST WARDENAlan B. Frost
SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK James $0^{\prime}$ Neil
POLICE OFFICERSChief, Michael J. FoleyJohn T. McNiffJesse Briggs
DIRECTOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERTICE Charles B. Willett
Jury List
Revised August 2, 1927
Precinct 1

Fred W. Billings
Albert P. Durkee
Frank E. Parsons
Spencer H. Taylor
Edward M. Little
Edward F. Nealey
Theron A. Lowden
Charles Miles
Herbert A. Thayer
Clarence Chickering
Allen B. Parker
David R. Kinsley
William Johnson
Henry L. Haynes
Howard C. Tracy

James W. Coughlin George S. Tucker Howard B. Daniels
Samuel E. Knowlton
Precinct 2
L. Edward Laird Patrick J. Foley
Carl Flint
Elwin Harris
Precinct 3
James E. Kinsley
James A. Grimes
G. Howard Reed

John T. McNiff
Frank Bulette

# TOWN WARRANT 

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.


To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1, Town Hall in said Acton. Precinct 2, Universalist Church, South Acton. Precinct 3, Fire House, Wrest Acton, at 12 oclock noon, on Monday, the Fifth day of March, 1928. iny posting a copy of this warrant by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seren duys at least before the said fifth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three for department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three rears, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Monday, March 12th, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gapsy moth.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of moner to insure the employees of the town, or act anything. thereon.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 12. 'To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1928, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to have the sidewalks in the three villages plowed of snow and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health murse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars; or some other amount, and elect a director; the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 , Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the old fire house in South Acton, together with any unused fire department equipment, or act anything thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 180.00$ for a lowering device for the use of the cemetery department, or act anything thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500.00$ to make necessary repairs on Esterbrook road, in East Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500.00$ for special repairs on High street in South Acton, between Fletcher corner and the Powder Mill dam.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500.00$ for special repairs on Stow street from its intersection with Maple street to the Main street bridge, or act anything thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 4,000.00$ to rebuild the bridge on Laws Brook road and continue the re-construction of this road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of the steam road roller, or act anything thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,800.00$ for the purpose of installing a fire alarm signal in each of the three precincts, or making necessary repairs to present equipment if deemed advisable to do so, or act anything thereon.

Article 24 . To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000.00$ to develop the high school athletic field, or act anything thereon.

Article 25 . To see if the town will vote to re-insure the high school building and its contents on the expiration of its present policies, November 1st, 1928, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for such insurance, or act anything thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to repair and oil Church street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will extend the street lights in North Acton along the Lowell road from the end of the present line to the railroad crossing, known as Gallagher's crossing, or act anything thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to maintain a street light on Arlington street in West Acton near the residences of A. C. Jones, E. Henry Hall Jr., and Bertram E. Hall, or act anything thereon.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to renew the electric lighting contract with the American Woolen Company, or act anything thereon.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for nine band concerts to be given by the Acton Cadet band, three each in the villages of Sonth, West and Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to gravel Arlington street in West Acton, starting at Elm street and continuing in an easterly direction, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to rebuild Nagog Hill road from Littleton line to Acton Center, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to confer with the officials of the Boston \& Maine R. R., and see if something cannot be done to replace the high wooden fence on the west side of the R. R. bridge at South Acton with a lower metal or wire fence, and to reduce the height of the wooden fence on the northerly side of Maple street.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to purchase a road scraper for the road department, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this eighteenth day of February, 1928.

MURRAY BROWN, HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITCOMB,

Selectmen of Acton.

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

We herewith submit to you for your approval the reports of the various departments of town for the year ending, Dec. 31, 1927.

Acting under Article 19, we entered into an arrangement with A. W. Davis, and had the water fountain in West Acton moved to a new location on Central street.

Under Article 22 the matter of changing the name of the local telephone exchange from West Acton to Acton was taken up with the officials of the Telephone Company and this change will be made and take effect about March 1, 1928.

Six additional street lights have been installed, these will bring our annual bill for 1928 street lighting up to $\$ 5,000.00$. We do not recommend any further installations.

Under Article 25, we have petitioned the county commis sioners to make a taking of land at the southwesterly point at Kelly's Corner in order to improve this sharp turn. We recommend that the amount appropriated for this work which was not spent be reappropriated.

Twenty-three hundred feet of snow fence was purchased and erected at various points, where the drifting of snow has been noticed.

A new fire house has been built in South Acton. A report of the committee that had charge of this work will be found elsewhere in this book. The fire department seems now to be in first-class condition, well housed and well equipped. The one weak spot being the lack of a suitable alarm system. We recommend that the West Acton fire house be painted.

Much road work has been done through the year, with the completion of Main street, as soon as weather permits, as far as the State road, and Central street in West Acton to the village limits; also the rebuilding of Willow street in West Acton up to the point of the old oiled surface. We feel that our main roads are in excellent shape, and that the town should not be called upon for so much new construction, and we recommend that the customary $\$ 6,000$ that we have been appropriating for special road work, be cut to $\$ 4,000.00$, and that this be spent in continuing the work on School street and Laws Brook road in South Acton, where it appears that the bridge will have to be rebuilt at considerable expense.

It is regrettable that our tax rate should have jumped to over $\$ 30.00$ and we feel that the voters should bear in mind that we still have large sums of money which have been borrowed for highway construction and fire department purposes, besides our
high school bonds, which must be repaid each year. There are road notes outstanding amounting to $\$ 15,650.00$ and fire department notes amounting to $\$ 5,100.00$, of these amounts $\$ 10,250.00$ must be paid in 1928. It would seem that we should practice economy in all our departments and use care in our annual appropriations, and for this reason the selectmen are not recomding that we embark on any new projects at present.

An audit of the town books was made by the state authorities, and their report is printed in full in this book.

The town's finances are in a very healthy condition, and a study of the reports of the treasurer and town accountant is urged upon all who receive this report.

Respectfully submitted, MURRAY BROWN, HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Selectmen.

## REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of the Town of Acton:
We have been called upon during the year to render aid in four different cases, which promise to be of a permanent nature. Two of these are elderly persons, who are being boarded in private lamilies; the third consists of a mother and two children, who are being aided in their own home, and the fourth, of two children, who have been placed with the State Department of Public Welfare.

We are also furnishing continuous support for one child, who has a settlement in a neighboring town. Our town is being re-imbursed for this case.

In addition to these cases, we have rendered temporary aid to three other persons during the year.

> HOW ARD J. BILLINGS, MURRAY BROWN, WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Department of Public Welfare.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births
Whole number recorded ..... 40
Born in Acton 16 Native parentage ..... 27
Males 22 Foreign parentage ..... 5
Females 18 Mixed parentage ..... 8
Marriages
Whole number recorded ..... 30
Residents of Acton 40 Residents of other places, ..... 20
Deaths
Whole number recorded ..... 35
Residents of Acton 34 Residents of other places, ..... 1
Occurring in Acton 27 Occurring in other places, ..... 8Average age in years, 51 plus.

The town clerk requests information of any errors or omissions in the list of births, marriages and deaths.

The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish blanks for the return of births and deaths.

HORACE F. TUTTLE, Town Clerk.

Births Registered in 1927
Name of Child
Milton Osborne
$\qquad$ Beach, Charles Archibald

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Goucher, June Elizabeth .
.Forrest, Eleanor Carey .
.Harnden, Ernest Franklin Hollowell, Doris Elizabeth Howard, John Cleveland .Jones, Martha Ann



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& \text { Name of Parents } \\
& \text { Ruman Stubbard and Addie Viola Goucher } \\
& \text { Clesson Albion and Gladvs Morse }
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& \text { Penjamin Stanley and Lucy Stockbridge } \\
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& \text { Alfred and Esther May Quimby } \\
& \text { Cyril and Evelyn Brown } \\
& \text { Robert M. and Marguerite Waldmyer }
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Jesse Alton and Adelaide Melisson Wambolt
Henry Eugene and Beatrice Jane Prescott
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Levis A. and Marjorie L. Bond
Ernest Franklin and Blanche Gertrude Ralph T. and Mary Tobin
Schoffield
Farris
Clarence Reynolds and Pearl Hattie Leslie

Lawrence Moulton and Mariel Enid Smith Kent, Marjorie Betty . . . . . . .
LaTulippe, Joseph Douglas . . Leard, Frances Loraine .......Frank Dayson and Gertrude Irene Goodearl Emery Daniel and Margaret Jennie

Christofferson
Charles Henry and Helen Louise Marchant Charles Henry and Helen Louise Marchant
Edward L. and Martina Benere

Leonard William and Mary Louise
Hyndman
Edwin and Eda Nelson Hyndman
Clifford Abel and Thelma Robbins George Howard and Marion Thompson Cole Otis Joshua and Evelyn Kimball Clifford and Mary Dubec Mattie and Tyyne Mary Lehto Alfred H. and Gladys Schnair

Lawrence and Bertha Carr
Arthur Francis and Emma Grace Bayeur George Charles and Ruth Elmira Berry Stanley and Josephine Wasik

## Marriages Registered in 1927



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Braman, Frank Stacy . . .
Lowden, Dorothy ...
Braugh, Sidney James . .
Prentiss, Marion Arlene
Carter, Roger Sherman
Fox, Ruth Haley
Clark, Orma Lawrence : .
Whipple, Marion Janvrin
Clayton, John
Gray, Esther Elizabeth

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Bodman, Pauline Gertrude
Drury, Warren
Hackett, Alice
Fairley, John
Iuttle, Gertrude M.
Fletcher, John Lester
Corkum, Mary Ellen
Foley, Patrick J.
Johnston, Laura . . . . .
French, Kenneth Gordon
Harlow, Ethel May . . . . Fullonton, Donald F.
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## Deaths Registered in 1927

Age Date of
No. Death NameYrs.
Mos. Days
5 ..... 27

1. Dec. 24. Balch, Legurtha Mae ..... 45
10
2. Jan. 9. Bampton, Joseph Milton ..... 1
3. Aug. 5. Bancroft, Albion ..... 2
4. Mar. 13. Case, Lily Clark ..... 70
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5. Apr. 10. Chickering, Ida L. ............. 53 ..... 53 ..... 1.3
9 ..... 11
6. Aug. 1. DeSouza, Benjamin ..... 54 ..... 10 ..... 10
7. Aug. 1. DeSouza, Benja
8. Aug. 1. DeSouza, Benja ..... 72
9. Apr. 1. Dike, Charles Nicholas3
10. Apr. 20. Dike, Ida ..... 62
11. Apr. 2. Dunn, Charles H. ..... 64
12. Sept. 21. Ericksson, Hanna W. ..... 52
13. May 29. Fiske, Abbie ..... 67
14. Oct. 22. Frost, Lillian Elizabeth ..... 71
15. July 9. Holley, Nancy ..... 77
16. Mar. 26. LaBlane, John Joseph ..... -
17. June 8. LaTulippe, Octavia Kate ..... 31
18. Oct. 30. MacKenzie, Irvine Kemp ..... 72
19. Feb. 3. Maddox, Charles Edward ..... 67
20. June 10. Manion, Thomas J. ..... 49
21. Apr. 9. Mead, Lucy Maria ..... 88
22. July 2. Mills, Charles Winwood ..... 4
23. Dec. 11. Morse, Ernest Snow ..... 62
24. Dec. 19. Pendergast, Robert William
50
25. Oct. 1. Porter, Isabelle Mae
43
26. Shimka, Marka
82
27. July 1. Stiles, Katherine J
49
28. Feb. 3. Teele, Ernest R.
69
29. May 18. Tenney, John Priest
41
30. May 8. Tracy, Bessie Louisa
73
31. Dec. 12. VanLul, Leon Ernest
92
32. June 16. Vose, Nancie Swallow ..... 2 ..... 4 ..... 25111

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11 ..... 25
31. Oct. 1. Waite, Kenneth Allen ..... 9 ..... 10 ..... 26
32. Oct. 1. Waite, Louise Lowrey ..... 36
33. May 21. Webster, Eva Orpha ..... 45
34. Mar. 8. Welch, Hulda Jane ..... 76-
6 ..... 5

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7 ..... 12
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3 ..... 4251
Non-Resident Burials in 1927

| Days | Place of Death | Place of Burial |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14 | Brattleboro, Vt. | ..... Mt. Hope |
| 11 | Westboro | Woodlawn |
|  | Somerset, Md. | Mt. Hope |
| 22 | Concord, Mass. | Mt. Hope |
| 15 | Lowell | Woodlawn |
| 24 | Groveland | Woodlawn |
| 11 | Holliston | .Woodlawn |
| 20 | McAllen, Tex. | Woodlawn |
|  | Clinton | Woodlawn |
| 8 | Cambridge | Woodlawn |
| 22 | Lexington | Mt. Hope |
| 25 | Quincy | Mt. Hope |
| - | Cambridge | Mt. Hope |
| - | Worcester | Woodlawn |
| 13 | Waltham | Mt. Hope |
| 28 | Somerville | Woodlawn |
| - | Boston | Mt. Hope |

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## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting Held March 14, 1927

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Allen Brooks Parker.

Art. 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.

Chose, Charles E. Smith, trustee of the Goodnow Fund, for three years.

Chose, Edgar H. Hall, trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief Fund, for three years.

Chose, Waldo E. Whitcomb, trustee of the Elizabeth White Fund, for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five-eighths of one per cent of the amuont collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars per meeting.

Voted: That the salary of the overseers of the poor be seventy-five dollars per annum for the chairman and forty dollars each per annum for the other members.

Voted: That the salary of town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be six hundred dollars, in the aggregate, per annum, to be apportioned as they may determine.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Art. 2. To see if the town will accept the reports of the several town officers.

Yoted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.
Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committtee chosen at any previous meetings.

The article was passed over.
Art. 4. To see what sums of money the town will raise by taxation and appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town.

Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to appropriate for
Roads, general maintenance $\$ 10,000.00$
Roads, Main street, Art. 32 ..... $10,000.00$
School street, Art. 33 ..... 2,000.00
Central street, Art. 34 ..... 1,000.00
Willow street, Art. 35 ..... 1,000.00
Arlington street, Art. 51 ..... 1,000.00
Hosmer street, Art. 36 ..... 500.00
Concord-Stow road, Art. 49 ..... $1,000.00$
High street. Art. 50 ..... 500.00
Snow removal ..... 3,400.00
Street lighting ..... 5,000.00
Bonds, road payment of ..... 5,900.00
Bonds, high school ..... 6,000.00
Bonds, fire equipment ..... 2,000.00
Interest, high school bonds ..... 2,600.00
Interest, road bonds ..... 475.00
Interest, revenue loans ..... 1,200.00
Schools ..... $44,000.00$
High school grounds, grading reappropriated ..... 2,000.00
Memorial library, current expenses ..... 800.00
Memorial library, books ..... 200.00
Hydrant service ..... 3,150.00
Fires, forest ..... 500.00
Fire department maintenance ..... 1,200.00
Fire department, new hose ..... 300.00
Fire house, South Acton ..... 4,000.00
Shade trees, care of ..... 150.00
General government ..... $4,600.00$
Treasurer's and collector's bonds ..... 175.00
Buildings and grounds ..... 800.00
Cemeteries ..... 1,000.00
Moth work ..... 1,269.59
Memorial day ..... 300.00
Police department ..... 800.00
Board of Health ..... 1,200.00
Military and State aid ..... 400.00
Reserve fund ..... 1,200.00
Unclassified ..... 500.00
Demonstration work Agriculture ..... 300.00
Poor department ..... 1,800.00
Town nurse ..... 2,200.00
Insurance of employees ..... 500.00
Fountain at West Acton, relocating ..... 100.00
Widening road at Kelley's corner, Art. 25 ..... 200.00
Snow, fencing ..... 400.00
Total appropriations ..... $\$ 127,619.59$

## Voted to raise by taxation

$\$ 102,000.00$

| Voted to raise by borrowing for construction of Main street | 8,000.00 |
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| Voted to raise by borrowing for fire house at South |  |
| Acton | 3,100.00 |

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

Voted: To appropriate three hundred dollars.
Voted: That the moderator be instructed to appoint a committee to take in charge the expenditure of this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial Day. The moderator appointed the following committee: Murray Brown, chairman, George L. Towne and Herbert Merriam.

Art. 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than Oct. 15, 1927 and on all taxes remaining unpaid after Nov. 1, 1927, interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent per annum from Oct. 15, 1927, until such taxes are paid.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or vote anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 1,200$ for maintenance and $\$ 300$ for new hose.

Art. 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and nix price thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars, and that the price per hour be fixed by the forest warden.

Art. 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 1,269.59$ for moth work.
Art. 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$.
Art. 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for premiums on treasurer's and collector's bonds or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 175.00$.
Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning. January 1, 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Yoted: That the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year
begiming January 1, 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to defray the expense of plowing the sidewalks of snow in the three villages, or act anything thereon.

Yoted: To dismiss the article.
Art. 14: To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Voted: To take up for joint consideration Art. 23.
Yoted: That the town employ a town nurse to be under the supervision of a committee to include Mrs. Eugene L. Hall, Mrs. William Rawitser and Miss Charlotte Conant in conjunction with the board of health and school committee and that twenty-two hundred dollars be appropriated for the salary and expense of the same.

Art. 15. To see if the town will accept the high school building, or act anything thereon.

William Rawitser, chairman of the building committee, presented the following statement, as the final report of the committee :

## Final Statement of High SchooI Building Committee

> Income:

Town appropriation . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 100,000.00$
Int. on bonds, bonus ................................. $1,689.84$
Received from building committee for tablet 50.16
\$101,740.00

## Gifts:

Mr. and Mrs. Wright . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 2,800.00$
Varnum B. Mead ....................................... . . $1,000.00$
O. W. Mead . ............................................ . . . $1,000.00$
F. H. Nash . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 800.00
E. and B. Hall . ........................................ . . 400.00

Varnum Tuttle .......................................... $1,000.00$
E. and C. Clark . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 350.00

Mrs. S. A. Cutler ......................................... $\quad 500.00$
Lady Campbell ........................................ . . 400.00
A. F. Blanchard, assembly . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $10,000.00$

Conant, library ....................................... 5, 972.40
William Rawitser, lanterns 200.00

Total amount of gifts . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 24,422.40$
Town appropriation, grading
3,000.00
Grand Total
$\$ 129,162.40$
Representing the total amount of money invested.
Expenses:
Kelley heirs, land ..... $\$ 3,100.00$
H. A. Wilson, legal ..... 206.20
J. H. Bickford, architect ..... 5,050.00
Duncan Construction Co., contract ..... 70,184.50
J. H. Cabeen, contract ..... 15,016.00
Water installation ..... 100.00
Insurance ..... 550.01
Coal ..... 116.32
Expense of bonds ..... 242.95
Additional for grading out of building fund ..... 300.00
Equipment, etc. ..... 6,496.69
Balance ..... 377.33
\$101,740.00
Balance turned over to school committee ..... 377.33
Total expenses ..... \$101,362.67

Yoted: That the town accept the high school building and discharge the committee as having completed its work in full.

Voted: Unanimously, by a rising vote, that the town extend its thanks to the committee for their services.

Voted: Unanimously, that the town place on record its appreciation of the gifts received from individuals toward the erection and equipment of the building and that the clerk be instructed to send to the several donors a letter expressing the thanks of the town.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, together with the unexpended balance of 1926 , for the maintenace of the town forest or act anything theron.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,200$ for the purpose of purchasing additional land for a town forest and planting the same or act anything theron.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to allow the use of the town hall, by the pupils of the high school for the purpose of playing basketball games, or act anything theron.

A motion that the town allow the use of the town hall for playing basketball, subject to regulations made or approved by the selectmen, did not prevail.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to move the water fountain in West Acton from its present location to a location on Central street, between Massachusetts avenue and Arlington street, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the matter be left in the hands of the select-
men and the sum of $\$ 100$ be appropriated to defray the cost of relocation.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex county trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sce. 40 to $4 \overline{5}$, Chap. 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$.
Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, the same being part of the amount returned to the town, under the provisions of Chapter 480 of the Acts of 1924 , for the purpose of setting out some shrubbery and otherwise beautifying the grounds immediately surrounding the monument to the World War Veterans.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to ask the telephone company to change the name of the local exchange from West Acton to Acton.

Voted: Unanimously, that the selectmen be instructed to petition the N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co., to change the name of the local exchange to Acton.

Voted: That articles 27, 28, 29 and 52 be considered jointly:
Voted: That the matters mentioned in articles 27, 28, 29 and 52 be referred to the selectmen, with power to act in their discretion.

Art. 28. 'To see if the town will vote to install another light on the railroad bridge at South Acton.

See action under article 27.
Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to install two street lights on Main street in the vicinity of the three houses recently erected.

Sec action under article 27.
Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to install a water hydrant on Main street, to give fire protection to the buildings recently erected.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to maintain one hydrant or more on Main street, between Acton Center and Kelley's corner, to protect the houses recently built.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to accept the gift of George V. Mead of a plot of land situated in the village of West Acton, bounded by Massachusetts avenue, Arlington street and Central street, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the town accept from George V. Mcad, the gift of a plot of land in West Acton, upon the conditions mentioned in his deed of gift.

Voted: That the thanks of the town be given to Mr. Mead, and that the clerk be instructed to send him a copy of this vote.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to have the Actom Public Health Committee consist of five members, one from the school committee, one from the Board of Health and one citizen from each precinct.

Considered jointly with Art. 14.
Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to employe one permanent police officer, for duty throughout the town, and appropriate a sum of money to maintain said officer, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 25: To see if the town will vote to round off the sharp southwest angle at Kelley's corner, and if necessary, to acquire sufficient land to do so, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to purchase the necessary amount of land at said corner ; the same to be cleared of all obstructions, properly surfaced for travel and that the sum of two hundred dollars be raised for that purpose.

Art. 26. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for nine band concerts, to given by the Acton Cadet band, three each in the villages of South, West and Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on Prospect street in South Acton, opposite the residence of Charles Hardy.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to appropriate, by borrowing ol otherwise the sum of $\$ 10,000$ or any other amount, to continue the construction of Main street from a point opposite the residence of Frank E. Parsons to the State road leading to Littleton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That there be appropriated the sum of ten thousand $(10,000)$ dollars for the purpose of continuing the construction of Main street, from a point opposite Frank E. Parsons. Said sum to be used with a like amount or more allotted by the State Department of Public Works and by the county commissioners and to meet said appropriation there be raised in the levy of the current year the sum of two thousand $(2,000)$ dollars, and that the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen be authorized to borrow the sum of eight thousand $(8,000)$ dollars, and to issue bonds or notes therefor. Said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years, or at such earlier dates as may be fixed by the treasurer and selectmen.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand $(2,000)$ dollars to continue the work of rebuilding School street and Laws Brook road, providing
a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of two thousand $(2,000)$ dollars to continue the work of rebuilding School street and Laws Brooks road, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand $(1,000)$ dollars, to complete the construction of Central street, in West Acton, to the village limits, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand $(1,000)$ dollars, to complete the construction of Central street in West Acton to the village limits, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand $(1,000)$ dollars, to continue the construction of Willow street, in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand $(1,000)$ dollars, to continue the construction of Willow street in West Acton, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and apporpriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$, to repair and oil Hosmer street from Woodlawn cemetery to Crooker's corner, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate for repairs on said street $\$ 500$.
Art. 37. To see if the town will take any further action in regard to the proposed new highway, leading from Massachusetts avenue, West Acton, to the house of Sidney L. Richardson, following the old electric car line location.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Art. 38: To see if the town will voie to purchase some snow fencing, for use on the highways to prevent drifting of snow and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act anything theron.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 400$ to purchase snow fencing to be placed at the discretion of the selectmen.

Art..39. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Health to provide a new dumping ground in precinct 1, and to abolish the present dump opposite Woodlawn cemetery, and to have it filled in and graded, or to take any action thereon.

Voted: That the Board of Health be instructed to abolish the present dump, opposite Woodlawn cemetery.

Yoted: That the Board of Health be authorized to purchase from Francis B. Farrar, about five acres of land at a cost not exceeding $\$ 450$ for a public dump.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to reappropriate the unexpected balance of the school appropriation of 1926 to be expended on the athletic field, or do or act anything thereon.

Voted: To re-appropriate two thousand dollars from said unexpended balance for an athletic field for the high school.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to obtain lower municipal rates for electric current, or do or act anything thereon.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to secure, if possible, lower rates for electric current, in all the town buildings.

Art. 42. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, not in excess of $\$ 2,000$, for the purpose of installing flush closets in the West Acton school house, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Lrt. 43. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to care for the water and make needed repairs on Church street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Art. 44. To see if the town will vote to consolidate the official boards of the town, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Act. 45. To see if the town will vote to adopt the limited town meeting, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Art. 46. To see if the town will vote to elect a highway surveyor, by ballot at its regular annual meeting, or act anything theron.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Art. 47. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer to sell the share of the stock of the Boston \& Maine Railroad, held by the town for the care of the Phineas Wetherbee lot in Mt. Hope cemetery, and reinvest the proceeds for such purpose.

Voted: That the treasurer be and is hereby authorized to sell the share of stock of the Boston \& Maine railroad, held by the town and invest the proceeds in a savings bank, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Phineas Wetherbee lot in Mount Hope cemetery.

Art. 48. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to run a six-inch water line from the Maynard water system at the Maynard town line to a point about 1,000 feet distant and install two hydrants to afford fire protection for the Cellulose Products Co. at South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen and the water commissioners of the West and South Water Supply District of Acton, to investigate and report at a future meeting.

Art. 49. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$ to repair Concord street, from Fletcher Corner to the railroad switch, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,000$, to repair said road.

Art. 50. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$ for special repairs on High street, in South Acton, from the Powder Mill dam to Fletcher corner, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 500$ for repairs on said road.
Art. 51. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars, or any other sum, the same to be expended in re-surfacing and oiling Arlington street in West Acton, beginning at Central street and running easterly, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 1,000$, to gravel Arlington street, the work to begin where it ended in 1926 and continue easterly.

Art. 52. T'o see if the town will vote to install two street lights on Maple avenue in Acton Center.

See action taken under Article 27.
Art. 53. To see if the town will vote to build a fire house in South Acton and raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the same, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the town build a new fire house at South Acton, buy a lot of land, if necessary, and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars to pay for the same. To raise $\$ 900$ the present year and issue notes payable within five years for the balance. The building committee to be the selectmen and three members of the South Acton Fire Department, to be appointed by the moderator.

The moderator appointed Frank W. Hoit, John Manning and Ralph W. Piper.

Art. 54. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to repair Piper street in South Acton, or act anything theron.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 55. To see if the town will vote to purchase a Fordson tractor and snow plow, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Art. 56: To see what action the town will take regarding the provisions of the will of Jonathan K. W. Wetherbee, late of Acton, deceased, so far as the same relates to the town.

Voted: To dismiss the article.

## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting

## Held June 8, 1927

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to renew any or all of the revenue loan issued Dec. 2, 1926, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 17, General Laws of Massachusetts, the same to be paid from the revenue of the year 1926.

Voted: To authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to renew any or all of the revenue loan issued Dec. 2,1926 , in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 17, General Laws of Massachusetts, the same to be paid from the revenue of the year 1926.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to appropriate, by borrowing or otherwise, the sum of $\$ 2,000$ dollars to run a six-inch water line and install two hydrants to afford fire protection for the Cellulose Products Co. at South Acton, either by connecting with the Maynard water system or assisting the West and South Water Supply District to enlarge the district and furnish the necessary supply, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To postpone action under this article until the next annual meeting.

## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Special Meeting

Held August 25, 1927
Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and áppropriate an additional sum of money for the purpose of continuing the re-construction of Main street; said sum to be used in conjunction with sums allotted by the state and county or either of them ; determine how the same shall be raised; or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: Unanimously that there be appropriated the sum of three thousand dollars for the purpose of continuing the reconstruction of Main street; said sum to be used in conjunction with sums allotted by the state and county, or either of them; and that, to meet said appropriation, the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow said sum and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said bonds or notes to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 19, of Chapter 44, of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier dates as the treasurer or selectmen may determine.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to acquire by eminent domain or otherwise the land form-
erly laid out as a county road from School street to the Boston \& Maine railroad tracks in South Acton for firehouse purposes.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to take by right of eminent domain or otherwise acquire, for the purpose of building a firehouse thereon a certain parcel of land in South Acton, between the store formerly of Tuttle \& Newton and the bridge over the Boston \& Maine railroad, described as follows: Beginning at the southerly line of School street, thence southerly along the easterly line of the old road to Maynard, fifty (50) feet; thence westerly, parallel to said School street forty-one and one-quarter feet; thence northerly parallel with the first described line and forty feet distant therefrom about fifty feet to said School street; thence easterly along said School street about forty-one and one-quarter feet to the place of beginning, or any part of the above described parcel; provided said part of the old Maynard road shall be discontinued as a public highway.

## Persons Having Dogs Licensed in 1927

| ses | \$2.00 | Brindley, Charles R. | 2.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Anderson, John | 2.00 | Britton, E. | 5.00 |
| Angears, Clifford | 2.00 | Brown, .J. A | 2.00 |
| Armburg, Fred | 2.00 | Bulette, Frank | 2.00 |
| Arthur, John | 5.00 | Bursaw, H. W | 2.00 |
| Bancroft, C. A | 5.00 | Caldwell, Hazel | 2.00 |
| Banks, F. M. | 7.00 | Caldwell, Margaret A . | 2. |
| Barker, Earl L. | 2.00 | Campbell, Leland H. | 2.00 |
| Baxter, Míriam | 2.00 | Chaffin, Nancy S. | 6.00 |
| Beach, IIazel | 2.00 | Charter, W. W. | 2.00 |
| Bedford, Mrs. A. E. | 2.00 | Clapp, George E. | 2.00 |
| Benere, Antoni | 2.00 | Clifford, Albert | 2.00 |
| Bennett, L. W. | 2.00 | Cobleigh, Mrs. William | 2.00 |
| Berglind, Edward | 5.00 | Condon, Timothy | 2.00 |
| Berglind, John E | 2.00 | Conquest, James |  |
| Billings, Howard | 5.00 | Cook, David | 2.00 |
| Blaisdell, Lucile | 2.00 | Conant, Augusti | 2.00 |
| Blanchard, Webster S. | 2.00 | Cooper, Ernest |  |
| Bond, R. J. | 2.00 | Costello, T. | . |
| Bondelvitch, Wa | 7.00 | Coughlin, Harold | 4.0 |
| Bowen, Robert M. | 2.00 | Cram, Irene | 2.0 |
| Boxil, Mrs. Cyril | 2.00 | Crocker, Charles |  |
| Bradford, F. W. R. | 4.00 | Cummings, Bertha |  |
| Bradbury, Rolfe | 2.00 | Davis, Charles E |  |
| Braman, Mrs. Frank | 5.00 | Davis, Wendell F |  |
| Braman, James W. | 2.00 | Densmore, Joseph 1 |  |
| Brassette, John | 2.00 | De Sousa, Ben | 2.00 |
| Brill, Fred E. | 7.00 | Doyle, Henry K. | 7.00 |

Duggan, John A. ..... 2.00
Hurley, James J. ..... 2.00
Durkee, C. A. ..... 5.00
Durkee, Raymond F. ..... 2.00
Duren, Delta B. ..... 2.00
Edmunds, William ..... 2.00
Edney, Charles F. ..... 2.00
Enneguess, Michael ..... 4.00
Evans, John H. ..... 7.00
Farrar, Frank B. ..... 2.00
Farrar, J. (Maple St.) ..... 2.00
Fitzgerald, James ..... 2.00
Flagg, Alden ..... 4.00
Fletcher, Charles J. ..... 2.00
Fletcher, Lester N. ..... 2.00
Fobes, J. Edwin ..... 5.00
Foley, Patrick ..... 2.00
Freeman, George ..... 2.00
Freeman, Mather ..... 2.00
Freeman, Richard ..... 5.00
French, C. H. ..... 2.00
Frost, Alan B. ..... 5.00
Frost, Lillian E. ..... 5.00
Fullonton, Llewellyn T. ..... 4.00
Gallagher, D. Joseph ..... 2.00
Gallagher, Howard V ..... 2.00
Gallant, Mildred ..... 2.00
Gates, Esther E. ..... 2.00
Gibbs, Harriet E. ..... 2.00
Gould, Paul ..... 2.00
Goward, Annie R. ..... 5.00
Green, Catherine ..... 2.00
Grenon, N. J. ..... 2.00
Griffin, Franklin E. ..... 7.00
Hall, Irwin ..... 5.00
Hall, Mary Farrell ..... 2.00
Hardy, Portia ..... 2.00
Harrison, B. M ..... 2.00
Hasting, Lewis C. ..... 2.00
Hayes, Michael G. ..... 2.00
Haynes, Albert L. ..... 2.00
Hennesser, Daniel ..... 5.00
Herrick, J. M. ..... 10.00
Hodgen, Hugh ..... 2.00
Holbrook, F. A. ..... 5.00
Holden, F. H. ..... 2.00
Holland, John ..... 2.00
Hollowell, Elwin ..... 5.00
Howe, O. H. ..... 2.00
Howe, Richard P. ..... 5.00
Jacobs, John B. ..... 2.00
Jalonen, Arthur ..... 2.00
Jenks, Albert R. ..... 2.00
Jensen, Peter ..... 7.00
Johnston, James ..... 5.00
Jones, Karl R. ..... 2.00
Jones, Warren H. ..... 2.00
Kelley, Julia T. ..... 2.00
Kemedy, Duncan S. ..... 2.00
Kemp, Mrs. H. M. ..... 2.00
Kilmartin, William T. ..... 4.00
Knowlton, Helen A. ..... 2.00
Knowlton, Samuel E. ..... 2.00
LaRoche, Arthur ..... 4.00
Larrabee, George W. ..... 5.00
Larsen, Jorgen ..... 5.00
Lawrence, Charles W. ..... 2.00
Lears, William ..... 2.00
Le Clare, Edward ..... 2.00
Littlefield, Ralph F. ..... 2.00
Livermore, William J. ..... 2.00
MacFawn, Vivian P. ..... 2.00
MacGregor, H. S. ..... 2.00
MacKinion, F. R. ..... 7.00
Manion, Mrs. T. J. ..... 2.00
Marsh, A. W. ..... 2.00
Mason, Bertha ..... 2.00
Mason, Roger ..... 9.00
May, Francis A. ..... 2.00
McGovern, John ..... 2.00
Mead, Hobart E. ..... 2.00
Mekkelsen, Ida ..... 2.00
Mekkelsen, Thora ..... 7.00
Merchant, Ralph ..... 2.00
Merriam, Harold ..... 2.00
Middleton, Willis J. ..... 10.00
Mills, Guy ..... 2.00
Montague, Everett N. ..... 2.00
Morse, George ..... 2.00
Morrison, Frederick D. ..... 10.00
Muise, Joseph ..... 2.00
Munn, William ..... 2.00
Newell, L. F. ..... 2.00
Newell, P. S ..... 2.00
Olsen, Peter .J ..... 2.00
O'Neil, James ..... 5.00
O'Neil, Richard ..... 10.00
Packard, James B. ..... 2.00
Parker, 'Edith M. ..... 2.00
Scott, T. A. ..... 2.00
Parsons, R. L. ..... 5.00
Parzkienicz ..... 2.00
Pedersen, John ..... 5.00
Penney, D. F ..... 4.00
Penney, John ..... 7.00
Penniman, Leonard ..... 2.00
Perkins, A. Hazelton ..... 2.00
Perkins, Levi W. ..... 2.00
Peterson, Carl N ..... 2.00
Phillips, Andrew S. ..... 2.00
Polep, Fannie S. ..... 2.00
Pope, Benjamin ..... 11.00
Pratt, Edward F. ..... 2.00
Prentiss, A. S. ..... 2.00
Price, Thelma ..... 2.00
Rayfuse, Edith M. ..... 2.00
Rawitser, William ..... 2.00
Rayner, Dorothy ..... 2.00Reed, G. Howard7.00
Reed, Otis J ..... 2.00
Reid, Robert A. 3rd ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Harold R. ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Jesse C.2.00
Richardson, George A. ..... 2.00
Roche, Francis B. ..... 2.00
Rogers, E. Stuart ..... 2.00
2.00
Rugg, George
2.00
2.00
Russell, Mrs. Johı H.
Russell, Mrs. Johı H. ..... 5.00
Sanborn, Everett R.2.00
Sawyer, Benjamin H5.00Sawyer, Lester
2.00
Scanlon, William J.12.00
Sebastian, Lester ..... 2.00
Shapley, Era C. ..... 2.00
Sheehan, Michael J. ..... 2.00
Shidluskas, Joseph A. ..... 2.00
Sisson, George T ..... 5.00
Smith, Hattie E. ..... 2.00
Smith, Ralph ..... 2.00
Spinney, Alice L. ..... 2.00
Stearns, Margery E. ..... 2.00
Stiles, Frank L. ..... 5.00
Stokes, William ..... 2.00
Stuart, Raymond ..... 2.00
Swensen, Oscar ..... 2.00
Teele, William Henry ..... 2.00
Todd, Ethel ..... 10.00
Tripp, Horatio W. ..... 2.10
Truippe, John ..... $\because .00$
Tucker, Jr. George S. ..... 4.00
Turnbull, George L. ..... 7.00
Turner, George (. ..... 2.00
Vallie, A. H. ..... 2.00
Vila, Mande ..... 2.00
Waite, F. A. ..... 7.00
Walther, Augustine J. ..... 2.00
Watkins, John H. ..... $10.01)$
Weaver, George 'I'. ..... 25.00
Wheeler, Elbridge ..... 5.00
Whipple, Marion H. ..... 2.00
Whitcomb, Fred S. ..... 2.00
Whitney, Cora A. ..... 2.00
Wood, Oliver D ..... 2.00
Zanceiwicz, J. ..... $-.00$

May 31, 1927-Paid County Treasurer<br>$\$ 229.80$<br>Nov. 30, 1927-Paid County Treasurer<br>HORACE F. TUTTLE,<br>Town Clerk.

## ASSESSORS’ REPORT-1927

| Buildings, exclusive of land . . . . . . . . $\$ 2,245,150.00$ |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Land, exclusive of buildings . . . . . . . . | $716,260.00$ |
| Personal estate . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $693,516.00$ |

Valuation, April 1, 1926
$\$ 3,654,926.00$
3,442,561.00
Increase in valuation
\$212,365.00
Rate of taxation $\$ 30.50$
Tax assessed as follows:
Real estate . ...................... $\$ 90,322.68$
Personal estate ................. 21,151.71
Polls
1,564. 00
\$113,038. 39
Amount of money raised:
State tax
$\$ 5,160.00$
State highway tax ............... . 1,573.20
County tax ..................... $\quad 4,500.20$
County tuberculosis tax ....... 367.23
Town grant 97,952.71
Overlay
3,485.05
\$113,038. 39
December assessment:
Buildings, exclusive of land ..... $\$ 000.00$
Land, exclusive of building
350.00

Personal estate
1,050.00Tax assessed as follows:Real estate\$10.68
Personal estate ..... 32.02
Polls ..... 4.00

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

> 1924 Taxes
> Dr.
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$109.19
Added tax ..... 2.00
Interest collected ..... 17.11
Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... $\$ 1 \cong 6.30$
Abated ..... 2.00
1925 Taxes
Dr.
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$12,976.65
Interest collected ..... 1,276.13
$\$ 128.30$
-$\$ 14,252.78$Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... $\$ 13,579.78$ ..... 673.00
\$14,252. 78
1926 Tax Dr.
\$31.176.74 Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927 ..... 823.91
Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... \$20,296. 66
Abated ..... 125.40
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1928 ..... 11,578.59
1927 Tax Dr.
Committed ..... \$113,085.09
Interest collected ..... 121.74
\$113,206.83 Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... \$69,659.55
Abated ..... 179.12
Uncollected ..... 43,368.16

C. A. DURKEE,<br>Tax Collector.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1927

Burial permits issued in Acton ..... 28
Burial permits of non-residents ..... 25

List of contagious diseases reported by the Board of Health, January 1, 1927, to December 31, 1927 :

Chicken-pox .................................. 9
Diphtheria ................................... 8
Measles .......................................... . . 3
Mumps ....................................... $\quad$.
Scarlet Fever ................................... 5
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary) ................ 1
Typhoid Fever ................................. 1
Total ..................................... 29
(Deaths none)
Your board would recommend that $\$ 1,500.00$ be appropriated for use of the board for the present year.

> AC'TON BOARD OF HEALTH,
C. A. Durkee, Agent.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Year Ending December 31, 1927

Cash on hand \$15,872. 89Received from state treasurer :
Income tax, 1926\$ .89
Corporation tax B, 1926 ..... 298.84
National bank tax, 1923 ..... 95
Division of highways ..... 500.00
Income Massachusetts school fund ..... 1,227.92
Income tax, 1926 ..... 430.00
Division of highways ..... 3,000.00
Income tax, 1925 ..... 86.00
Aid vocational schools ..... 100.97
Income tax, 1926 ..... 215.00
Corporation tax, B. ..... 239.41
Loss of land tax ..... 398.27
Tuition ..... 439.62
Highways, Lowell road ..... 3,865.89
Highways, Lowell road ..... 3,500. 91
Highways, Central street ..... 1,000.00
Highways, Lowell road ..... 2,222.84
Highways, Willow street ..... 1,000.00
Division of highways ..... 2,500.00
Highways, School street ..... 2,000.00
Highways, Lowell road ..... 301.77
Corporation tax, P. S. ..... 348.98
Corporation tax, business ..... 3,131.40
Income tax, 1927 ..... 10,833. 82
National bank tax ..... 124.15
Trust Co. tax ..... 85.83
State aid ..... 432.00
Veterans' exemption ..... 109.55
County treasurer :
Dog tax ..... 626.55
Highways, Lowell road ..... 3,865.89
Highways, Lowell road ..... 3,500.91
Highways, Central street ..... 1,000.00
Highways, Lowell road ..... 2,22 2.85
Highways, Willow street ..... 1,000.00
Highways, Lowell road ..... 301.77
Highways, School street ..... 2,000.00
Received district court fines ..... 216.50
Memorial library fines ..... 52.25
Town nurse collections ..... 170.50
Four alcohol licenses ..... 4.00
H. F. Tuttle, cemetery lots sold ..... 140.00
F. W. Green, cemetery lots sold ..... 145.00
Use of lowering machine ..... 18.00
First National bank, Ayer, interest ..... 241.81
Sealer of weights and measures, collections ..... 52.12
Town of Boxboro ..... 95.00
Town hall rents ..... 162.50
Rebate on insurance, high school ..... 64.99
Non-permit fires ..... 3.68
Non-permit fires ..... 2.60
Town of C'harlton, poor department ..... 123.50
Department of standards, licenses ..... 32.00
Lead sold, tree warden ..... 186.44
Town of Ayer, poor department ..... 331.30
T'own of Concord, Nagog taxes ..... 25.12
Tuition, Boxboro ..... 1,755.09
M. Foley. seven firearm permits ..... 1.75
Tuition, Harvard ..... 52.31
Tuition, C'arlisle ..... 120.00
Damages to school books ..... 3.01
Damage to school desks ..... 1.60
ise of school telephone ..... 3.05
Seven garaqe licenses ..... 7.00
One motor junk license ..... 1.00
Nine motor bus licenses ..... 9.00
23 gasoline pump licenses ..... 23.00
Two ammunition licenses ..... 2.00
Fourteen rictuallers licenses ..... 14.00
One oleomargarine license ..... 1.00
Two immolders' licenses ..... 2.00
One bakers license ..... 1.00
One pedlers license ..... 1.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, tax loan ..... 30,000.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, tax loan ..... 30,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Lowell road loan ..... 2,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Lowell road loan ..... 2,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Lowell road loan ..... 2,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Lowell road loan ..... 2,000.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, tax loan ..... 20,000.0)
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, fire dep’t. loan ..... 800.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, fire dept. loan ..... 800.0()
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, fire dept. loan ..... 800.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, fire dept. loan ..... 700.0()
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, Lowell road loan ..... 800.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, Lowell road loan ..... 800.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, Lowell road loan ..... 700.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, Lowell road loan ..... 700.00
First Nat. Bank, Ayer, tax loan ..... 25,000.00
Cemetery fund, care of lots ..... 1,136.00
Library fund, book acct. ..... 515.21
Surplus, cemetery acct. ..... 171.00
\$177,900. 31
Chas A. Durkee, Collector: 1924 taxes ..... \$126.30
1925 taxes ..... 13,579.78
1926 taxes ..... 20,296. 66
1927 taxes ..... 69,659.55
Paid Selectmen's orders ..... 271,218.56
Cash on hand ..... \$26,216.93
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Treasurer's Report of Funds Held for Care of Cemetery Lots
Perpetual care funds ..... \$30,350.00
Unexpended balances ..... 3,477.93
Received for care of lots:
Emma L. Cullis lot ..... $\$ 100.00$
Wm. S. Kelley lot ..... 100.00
W. A. Raynor lot ..... 100.00
Jos. E. Chandler lot ..... 50.00
Lewis B. Goodnow lot ..... 50.00
Chas. B. Stone lot ..... 100.00
Lewis Guy Mead lot ..... 100.00
Cyrus Putnam lot ..... 100.00
Chas H. Fairbanks lot ..... 100.00
Wm. L. Lothrop lot ..... 100.00
Willie S. Fletcher lot ..... 100.00
Horace R. Hosmer lot ..... 75.00
Wm. Chaplin G. A. R. lot balance ..... 12.70
Phineas Wetherbee R. R. stock sold ..... 78.96

Income from :
Water bonds ..... \$210.00
Liberty bonds ..... 305.67
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 103.27
Worcester North Savings ..... 100.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 194.01
Home Savings ..... 45.00
Worcester Five Cent Savings ..... 67.50
B. \& M. R. R. stock ..... 5.00
Assabet Institute for Savings ..... 190.76
Marlboro Savings ..... 50.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 76.15
Middlesex Institute for Savings ..... 125.28
North End Savings ..... 30.26
Warren Institute for Savings ..... 4.66
\$1,507.56
'iransferred to surplus account ..... 115.20
\$1,392.36
$\$ 36,386.95$
Paid town of Acton, care of lots ..... \$1,136.00
Water District bonds ..... 5,100.00
Liberty bonds ..... 7,300.00
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 3,228.96
North Middlesex Savings bank ..... 1,800.00
Warren Institute for Savings ..... 107.65
Central Savings, Lowell ..... \$1,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 2,475.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 2,000.00
Home Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
Worcester Five-Cent Savings ..... 1,500.00
Marlboro Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
North End Savings Bank ..... 695.72
Charlestown Five-Cent Savings ..... 3,893.62
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 4,150.00
$\$ 3,638.95$
Principal funds ..... \$31,516. 66
Unexpended balance ..... 3,734. 29
Cemetery Suplus Fund.
Balance ..... \$407.15
Transferred from cemetery fund ..... 115.20

$\$ 222.35$
Transferred to town account ..... $\$ 171.00$
Assabet Inst. for Savings, balance ..... 351.35

## Elizabeth White Fund

Principal fund ..... $\$ 25,000.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 2,183.43
Received interest:
Waltham Savings Bank ..... 90.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 100.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 100.00
Lowell Inst. for Savings ..... 90.00
Andover Savings ..... 100.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 100.00
Amherst Savings ..... 100.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 100.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 90.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 50.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 100.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 90.00
Athol Savings ..... 100.40
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 89.81
$\$ 28,483.64$
Paid out trustees orders ..... $\$ 915.00$
Cash in:
Waltham Savings Bank ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000.00
Lowell Inst. for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Andover Savings ..... 2,000.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 2,000.00
Amherst Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester Fine Cent ..... 2,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 2,000.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 2,000.00
Athol Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 1,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, balance ..... 2,568. 64

FRAANK W. HOIT,<br>Treasurer.

## Wilde Memorial Library Fund

Principal fund ..... $\$ 9,000.00$
Susan, Augusta and Luther Conan fund ..... 1,000.00
Hiram J. Hapgood fund ..... 200.00
Luke Tuttle fund ..... 200.00
Unexpended balance ..... 81.95
Keceived interest:
Conant Fund Bond ..... 40.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 151.88
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 91.01
Lowell City Inst. Savings ..... 50.13
North End Savings ..... 45.50
Home Savings ..... 45.50
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 50.63
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 21.89
Paid town of Acton, book account ..... \$515.21
Cash in:
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 3,000.00
Lowell City Inst. for Savings ..... 1,000.00
North End Saving Bank ..... 1,000.00
Home Savings Bank ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 1,000.00
West Shore R. R. bond ..... $1,000.00$
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 400.00
Maynard Trust Co., balance ..... 63.78

$\$ 10.978 .99$

FRANK W. HOIT,<br>Treasurer.

## Fireman's Relief Fund

Principal fund ..... \$393.96
Interest, Middlesex Inst. Savings ..... 19.91
Cash in Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... \$413.87
FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.
19th of April Fund
Principal fund ..... $\$ 279.19$
Received interest, Middlesex Inst. ..... 14.13

## William Chaplin Fund


$\$ 12.70$

FRANK W. HOIT,<br>Treasurer.

## Outstanding Notes and Bonds

Note No. 58, Fire Dep't., due May 1928 ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Note No. 62, Lowell road, due June 1928 ..... 2,550.00
Note No. 73, Special road, due June 1928 ..... 1.750 .00
Note No. 84, Special road, due Oct. 1928 ..... 400.00
Note No. 97, Lowell road, due July 1928 ..... 2,000.00
Note No. 98, Lowell road, due July 1929 ..... 2,000.00
Note No. 99, Lowell road, due July 1930 ..... 2,000.00
Note No. 100, Lowell road, due July 1931 ..... 2,000.00
Note No. 101, Anticipation revenue, due Sept. 1928 ..... 20,000.00
Note No. 102, Fire house, due Oct. 1928 ..... 800.00
Note No. 103, Fire house, due Oct. 1929 ..... 800.00
Note No. 104, Fire house, due Oct. 1930 ..... 800.00
Note No. 105, Fire house, due Oct. 1931 ..... 700.00
Note. No. 106, Lowell road, due Nov. 1928 ..... 800.00
Note No. 107, Lowell road, due Nov. 1929 ..... 800.00
Note No. 108, Lowell road, due Nov. 1930 ..... 700.00
Note No. 109, Lowell road, due Nov. 1931 ..... 700.00
Note No. 110, anticipation revenue, due Dec. 1928 ..... 25,000.00
High school bonds, due 1928 ..... 6,000.00
High school bonds, due 1929 to 1945 ..... 56,000.00

## TRUSTEES' RERORT OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND

The trustees have signed orders to the treasurer for $\$ 915.00$ (nine hundred and fifteen dollars) for the year ending December 31, 1927. This has been distributed from time to time as in the best judgment of your trustees, after investigation and found to be worthy needy poor.

> WARREN H. JONES, WM. H. KINGSLEY. WALDO E. WHITCOMB.

Trustees of Elizabeth White Find.

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Acton, Mass.:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year 1927.

## Expenditures <br> GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation ............................ $\$ 4,600.00$

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Paid:
Murray Brown, salary ................... $\$ 200.00$
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary ............ 100.00
Howard J. Billings, salary ............. 100.00
Murray Brown, telephone, postage ...... 3.30
Waldo E. Whitcomb, postage ........... . 70
Murphy \& Snyder, printing cards ...... 2.75
R.S. Osterhout, printing town reports .. 490.00
\$896.75
ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Howard L. Jones, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 400.00$
Howard L. Jones, postage ................ . 10.00
.James T. Towhee Co., envelopes, printing 27.75
Thorp \& Martin Co., book ............... . 4.75
Murphy \& Snyder, stationery ............ 5.50
$\$ 448.00$

## TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Paid
Frank W. Hoit, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 500.00$
Frank W. Hoit, postage, telephone, carfares 41.07
Frank W. Hoit, books .. ............... 8.50
Frank W. Hoit, paid for certifying notes 34.00
Murphy \& Snyder, receipts ............. 4.25
PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT
Paid
Howard J. Billings, salary ..... $\$ 75.00$
Murray Brown, salary ..... 40.00
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary ..... 40.00
Howard .J. Billings, postage, telephone ..... 3.30
COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT
Paid
Charles A. Durkee, salary ..... 550.13
Murphy \& Snyder, tax bills, envelopes ..... 12.53
Hobbs \& Warren, books ..... 4.65
Charles A. Durkee, book ..... 50
\$158.30\$5̄67. 81
ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT
Paid
Warren H. Jones, salary ..... \$200. 00
Henry L. Haynes, salary ..... 200.00
Arthur W. Emerson, salary ..... 200.00
Assessors' auto tax service, book ..... 5.00
Hobbs \& Warren Co., books, stationery ..... 27.82
L. L. Applin, transfer notices ..... 19.32
Carters Ink Co. ..... 67
Henry L. Haynes, postage, tel., etc. ..... 10.59
Richard Haynes, clerk ..... 50.00
\$713.40
TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, salary ..... $\$ 200.00$
Horace F. Tuttle, recording births ..... 37.00
Horace F. Tuttle, recording marriages ..... 13.00
Horace F. Tuttle, recording deaths ..... 15.50
Horace F. Tuttle, tel., postage, etc. ..... 25.80
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 5.40
P. B. Murphy, blanks ..... 1.25
P. B. Murphy, dog book ..... 2.50
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Paid:
Thereon F. Newton, salary ..... \$120.00
W. \& L. E. Gurley, instruments ..... 15.21
Hobbs \& Warren, book ..... 2.09

## CATTLE INSPECTION

## Paid:

Fred S. Whtcomb, salary
$\$ 175.00$

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, registrar .............. 30.00
Charles J. Holton, registrar ............. 20.00
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. registrar 2 yrs. 40.00
Fred S. Whitcomb, election officer .... 5.00
Leo McCarthy, election officer ........ 15.00
Arthur Wayne, election officer ....... 20.00
Lewis C. Hastings, election officer ....... . 5.00
Thomas Murray, election officers ...... 5.00
Theron F. Newton, election officer .... 5.00
T. J. Hennessey, election officer .......... . 5.00

John W. Coughlin, election officer ....... $\quad 15.00$
Arthur F. Davis, election officer ....... 5.00
Lewis C. Hastings, placing booths ...... 1.25
Universalisto church, rent .............. 5.00
Robert S. Osterhout, warrants, ballots . $\quad 78.00$
H. S. Turner, voting lists .............. 47.50
J. T. MeNiff, trans., warrants .......... 5.00

Enterprise Co., adv. ....................... 2.00
\$308.75

## MODERATOR

Paid:
A. Brooks Parker ........................ $\$ 30.00$
\$4,323.58
Unexpended balance ..................... $\$ 276.42$
\$4,600.00
TREASURER'S AND COLLECTOR'S BONDS
Appropriation ............................ $\$ 175.00$
Paid:
American Surety Co. ........................ . 172.50
Unexpended balance ..................... 2.50
$\$ 175.00$
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
Appropriation
$\$ 800.00$
Paid:
American Woolen Co. .................... 58.12
Arthur Wayne, janitor ................. 128.25
Arthur Wayne, care of lawn .......... 39.13
Arthur Wayne, care of clock ..... 30.00
II. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 61.60
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 75.00
West \& South Water Supply District ..... 12.00
Thos J. Grey Co. care lawn mowers ..... 9.30
O. D. Wood, enlarging coal bin ..... 15.00
O. H. Greenwood, ex́press ..... 50
C. H. Smith, Jr., graves shears ..... 2.25
N. H. Temney, repairs on boiler ..... 35.09
J. W. Livermore, mowing ..... 1.00
L. T. Fullonton, painting blinds ..... 45.00
John Peterson, wood ..... 60.00
Alfred Harris, ceiling cap for bell ..... 1.00
Geo. H. Braman, care of flag ..... 5.00
E. H. Longley, cement work ..... 3.00
Geo. H. Phelps, repairing roof ..... 118.37

\$699.61
Unexpended balance ..... \$100. 39
$\$ 800.00$
Protection of Persons and Property
POLICE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 16.36
Paid:
Michael Foley, services ..... $\$ 315.43$
Michael Foley, paid for telephone service ..... 32.44
Michael Foley, badges ..... 3.00
Allen B. Frost, services ..... 131.85
Allen B. Frost, telephone ..... 15.51
Allen B. Frost, court fees ..... 5.00
Dr. O. L. Clark, emergency call ..... 3.00
J. T: McNiff, services ..... 146.00
Harry B. Moore, services ..... 54.75
Chas. Whitcomb, services ..... 10.13
Ernest Rasmussen, services ..... 25.50
Jesse Brigss, services ..... 13.00
O. D. Wood, services ..... 5.00
Daniel Curtin, court fees ..... 20.20
Geo. S. Braman, services ..... 15.25
A. W. Davis Co., traffic paint ..... 11.70
W. J. Costello, painting ..... 3.00
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 2.10
A. B. Frost, postage ..... 3.50

\$816.36

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 231.10
$\$ 1,431.10$
Paid:
So. Acton Dept., salaries 1926-1927 ..... \$180.00
West Acton Dept., salaries 1926-1927 ..... 180.00
Acton Center Dept., salaries 1926-1927 ..... 177.50
Geo. S. Braman, janitor ..... 60.50
Geo. S. Braman, pay rolls ..... 79.75
American Woolen Co. ..... 29.84
So. Acton Dept., pay roll ..... 2.00
B. A. King, pay roll ..... 94.50
A. W. Davis Co., coal ..... 152.53
A. W. Davis Co., supplies ..... 8.33
Acton Motor Co., labor, supplies ..... 18.60
Fitzgerald garage, supplies ..... 8.55
C. D. Cram, salary ..... 5.00
C. D. Cram, telephone ..... 10.50
C. D. Cram, investigations ..... 8.00
J. S. Moore, pail ..... 85
Geo. H. Reed, brooms ..... 2.25
Theron Lowden, janitor ..... 85.00
Theron Lowden, shovelling hydrants ..... 9.88
Wm. G. Lawrence, janitor ..... 138.25
West \& South Water Supply District ..... 24.00
James A. Grimes, repairs ..... 40.70
Maynard \& Acton Oil Co., gasoline ..... 5.21
E. P. Gates, irons ..... 7.50
Laffins Express ..... 45
W. A. Harnes, lumber ..... 16.26
Henry K. Barnes Co.. extinguishers ..... 29.00
B. A. King, repairs on whistle ..... 7.35
Andrew Edwardson, labor ..... 6.00
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 5.75
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 33.12
M. E. Taylor \& Co.. supplies ..... 10.93

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## BRUSH FIRES

Appropriation ..... 500.00
Paid:
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, shovels ..... \$21.45
Eastern Drug Co., soda ..... 23.40
A. B. Frost, express ..... 1.83
Laffins Express, express ..... 4.50
Merrimac Chemical Co., vitrol ..... 29.73
So. Acton Fire Dept., pay rolls ..... 62.00
A. B. Frost, pay rolls ..... 146.66
B. A. King, pay rolls ..... 4.00
\$293.57 ..... 206.43
$\$ 500.00$
SPECLAL (HOSE) ..... $\$ 300.00$
Appropriation ..... 255.00
Henry K. Barnes Co. ..... 45.00
Unexpended balance ..... 206.43
Unexpended balance$\$ 300.00$
NEW FIRE HOUSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 900.00$
Loans authorized ..... 3,100.00
$\$ 4,000.00$
Paid:
Geo. K. Hayward, on account of contract ..... $\$ 3,200.00$
Balance due ..... 800.00
$\$ 4,000.00$
HYDRANT SERVICE
Appropriation ..... 3,150.00
Paid:
West \& South Water Supply District ..... \$2,750.00
Town of Concord ..... 184.00
Unexpended balance\$2,934.00216.00$\$ 3,150.00$
MOTH DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... \$1,269.59Paid:
James O'Neil, labor ..... \$601.50
James O'Neil, truck ..... 215.00
James O'Neil, sundry expense ..... 5.70
Underhay Oil Co., oil ..... 3.25
General Chemical Co., lead ..... 418.97
Com. of Mass., repairs on engine ..... 4.72
Arthur L. Stuart, repairs ..... 16.05
Fitzhenry-Guptill Co., poles ..... 3.82
\$1,269.01 ..... 58\$1,269.59
TREE WARDEN
Appropriation ..... $\$ 150.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 59.78
$\$ 209.78$
Paid:
James O'Neil, labor ..... $\$ 151.00$
James O'Neil, truck ..... 41.00
James $\mathrm{O}^{\prime}$ 'Neil, sundry expense ..... 10.78
N. E. Nurseries Co., trees ..... 7.00
$\$ 209.78$

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,200.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 97.59
Paid:
Francis B. Farrar, land ..... $\$ 450.00$
Chas. A. Durkee, services and expenses as agent ..... \$199.12
Sears, Roebuck \& Co., posts ..... 29.00
R. F. Durkee, locating dump ..... 10.00
James Kinsley, inspection ..... 23.20
Fred Amberg, labor ..... 29.75
Horace F. Tuttle, services in reference to land purchase ..... 29.45
A. W. Davis Co., wire ..... 42.50
E. P. Gates, account of quarantine ..... 180.00
John Gagnon, account of quarantine ..... 28.00
Waltham Hospital ..... 74.00
W. J. Costello, signs ..... 5.00
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 35.17
Bellows Stock Farm, milk ..... 10.64
R. A. Logan, supplies ..... 43.40
O. M. Swanson, supplies ..... 14.86
Dr. E. A. Mayell, services ..... 36.00
Dr. F. E. Tasker, chairman ..... 25.00
Dr. G. H. Tuttle ..... 10.00
R. F. Durkee, secretary ..... 15.00
Acton Drug Co., supplies ..... 7.50
TOWN NURSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,200.00$
Paid:
Fsther Robinson, nurse ..... \$1,000.08
Lillian E. Frost, nurse ..... 675.72
Ethel R. Rawitzer, book, stamps ..... 2.20
Chester T. Dolan, supplies ..... 10.23
Acton Drug Co., supplies ..... 26.65
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 28.96
Rand, Kardry Co. ..... 3.00
H. S. Turner, printing ..... 8.00Unexpended balance445.16$\$ 2,200.00$
HIGHWAYS-(General)
Appropriation $\$ 10,000.00$
Appropriation State under Chapter 81 ..... 5,700.00
$\$ 15,700.00$
Paid:
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal, lumber, tile ..... $\$ 41.49$
O. D. Wood, making signs ..... 8.05
Harrison Sq. Foundry, eatch basins ..... 92.00
W. S. Darley \& Co., signals ..... 29.00
W. J. Costello, signs ..... 2.00
Mrs. McCrossin, gravel ..... 13.30
J. T. McNiff, irons, repairs ..... 27.85
No. Acton Concrete Const. Co., mixer and labor ..... 17.00
J. S. Moore, tile ..... 4.85
O. F. Nelson, sharpening ..... 1.25
Greenough Const. Co., removing trees ..... 30.00
Wm. H. Kingsler, gravel, stone ..... 74.50
Conant Machine Co., parts ..... 45.31
L. W. Perkins, gravel ..... 10.35
Fred S. Whitcomb, gravel ..... 3.15
Hall Bros. Co., lumber, stakes ..... 6.35
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 14.12
N. E. Road Machinery Co., parts ..... 44.94
E. P. Gates, three drags ..... 43.00
E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 27.40
A. W. Davis Co., lead, oil ..... 24.69
A. W. Davis Co., cement, supplies ..... 83.73
Edward Anderson, gravel delivered ..... 10.00
Barrett Co., tarvia ..... 681.20
Mass. Broken Stone Co., stone ..... 24.50
Samuel Knowlton, gravel ..... 74.70
Standard Oil Co., oil ..... 2,847.15
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 36.90
W. H. Kingsley, c. stone ..... 27.15
Jos. Gagnon, gravel ..... 22.80
Fitzgeral's Garage, welding ..... 3.75
Geo. H. Reed, bags, tools ..... 18.74
Jas. Kinsley, sand ..... 6.75
Geo. S. Tucker, Jr., gravel ..... 9.75
Greenough Const. Co., trans. roller ..... 50.00
A. W. Davis Co., resetting curbing ..... 22.00
Geo. Greenough, scraper ..... 9.00
A. H. Perkins, gas, oil ..... 8.60
PAY ROLLSLabor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 748.50$
Hazelton Perkins ..... 14.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 359.00
Leo. Allard ..... 190.50
F. Courville ..... 312.00
Geo. Cann ..... 181.50
Earl Barker ..... 152.75
J. Bedard ..... 16.00
A. Wessell ..... 325.75
Jos. Gagnon ..... 264.50
J. Penney ..... 61.50
E. Leard ..... 97.69
F. Leard ..... 172.75
E. LeClair ..... 172.75
G. Penney ..... 34.00
Geo. Greenough ..... 32.00
M. Sheehan ..... 103.25
John Schofield ..... 125.50
E. Hurley ..... 9.00
W. Taylor ..... 274.50
E. Lemay ..... 64.00
C. Briggs ..... 2.00
John Gagnon ..... 84.44
A. Mauro ..... 80.50
R. Boyce ..... 49.50
N. Perkins ..... 4.00
R. Perkins ..... 12.00
A. Leard ..... 25.69
Albert St. Cyr ..... 32.00
C. Monroe ..... 158.00
L. Worden ..... 58.00
R. Joy ..... 28.50
J. Jones ..... 1.00
G. Keyes ..... 1.00
P. Callan ..... 84.75
W. H. Kingsley, men ..... 16.00
P. Coughlin ..... 46.00
V. Smith ..... 34.00
R. Harlow ..... 61.00
E. Hallowell ..... 18.00
W. Benere ..... 3.00
L. Perkins ..... 4.00
Horace Tuttle ..... 1.00
J. Briggs ..... 7.00
T. Monahan ..... 12.00
J. Shed ..... 4.00
Morins ..... 6.00
Grennon ..... 2.25
R. Sanborn ..... 9.60
A. H. Perkins, payroll ..... 124.75
3. D. Smith ..... 4.00
Teams:
Henry Mekkelson ..... 8.00
George Greenough ..... 288.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 394.50
E. Coons ..... 94.50
A. H. Perkins ..... 607.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 251.50
A. Christofferson ..... 4.00
A. R. Jenks ..... 88.00
A. W. Davis ..... 4.00
Trucks:
Allen Frost ..... 186.00
Jesse Briggs ..... 693.75
George Greenough ..... 1.50
W. H. Kingsley ..... 869.25
George Morse ..... 117.75
Harry Morse ..... 684.00
R. Jones ..... 571.50
A. W. Davis ..... 168.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 336.75
\$14,550.74Unexpended balance$1,149.26$

## HIGH STREET

Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 118.50
Paid:
Trimount Oil Co., oil ..... $\$ 85.00$
Mrs. McCrossin, gravel ..... 39.00
Payrolls-Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 6.00
E. Barker ..... 14.00
E. Leclair ..... 22.00
A. Wessell ..... 24.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 14.00
F. Leard ..... 18.00
J. Schofield ..... 30.00
Leo Allard ..... 14.00
J. Gagnon ..... 14.00
W. Taylor ..... 14.00
M. Sheehan ..... 6.00
George Cann ..... 10.00
F. Courville ..... 4.00
A. Mauro ..... 1.50
L. Worden ..... 2.00
Teams:
W. H. Kingsley ..... 8.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 8.00
Trucks:
H. Morse ..... 72.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 48.00
F. Penney ..... 18.00
J. Briggs ..... 72.00
R. Jones ..... 72.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 3.00
\$618.50

## ARLINGTON STREET

Appropriation
Paid:
Harrison Square Foundry, grate ..... 9.38
'Trimount Oil Co., oil ..... 59.50
Berger Manufacturing Co., culvert ..... 198.00
George H. Reed, coal ..... 12.96
Payrolls-Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 18.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 22.00
R. Penney ..... 20.00
W. Taylor ..... 20.00
E. Leard ..... 15.00
L. Worden ..... 20.00
C. A. Monroe ..... 12.00
E. LeClair ..... 20.00
A. St. Cyr ..... 16.00
John Gagnon ..... 8.00
Joseph Gagnon ..... 6.00
A. Wessell ..... 8.00
F. Courville ..... 8.00
J. Sherd ..... 8.00
R. Joy ..... 8.50
R. Boyce ..... 3.00
P. Callan ..... 2.00
A. Mauro ..... 1.50
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 24.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 16.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 16.00
Trucks:
George Morse ..... 36.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 66.00
R. Jones ..... 75.00
J. Briggs ..... 72.00
H. Morse ..... 30.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 7.50
$\$ 838.34$
Unexpended balance ..... 161.66
$\$ 1,000.00$
CENTRAL STREET
Appropriation $\$ 1,000.00$
Received from state treasurer, under Chap- ter 90 $1,000.00$
Received from county treasurer, under Chapter 90 1,000.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 143.31
Paid:
A. W. Davis Co., coal ..... *37. 59
A. W. Davis Co., tile ..... 99.10
E. G. Chisholm Co., pipe ..... 24.69
A. H. Perkins, freight ..... 8.74
A. I. Perkins, gas and oil for loader ..... 27.40
R. A. Reid, gravel ..... 185.70
George H. Reed, coal ..... 68.06
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... $+.67$
Standard Oil Co., oil ..... 152.35
Conant Machine Co., repairs ..... 28.19
Payrolls-Labor :
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 182.25
A. St. Cyr ..... 176.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 110.00
A. Wessell ..... 114.25
J. Gagnon ..... 107.19
F. Courville ..... 86.00
E. LeClair ..... 75.00
W. Taylor ..... 65.00
E. Leard ..... 61.63
F. Leard ..... 20.00
R. Penney ..... 78.00
M. Sheehan ..... 18.00
L. Worden ..... 71.00
C. A. Monroe ..... 64.00
F. Bryan ..... 4.00
R. Joy ..... 8.00
R. Boyce ..... 6.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 180.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 8.00
Trucks:
Harry Morse ..... 256.50
W. H. Kingsley ..... 250.50
R. Jones ..... 232.50
J. Briggs ..... 217.50
G. Morse ..... 28.50
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 87.00
CONCORD STREET
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Paid:
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... \$87.75
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumbẹ ..... 12.59
Payrolls-Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 30.00
George Cann ..... 28.00
E. Barker ..... 28.00
F. Courville ..... 16.00
J. Gagnon ..... 30.00
E. LeClair ..... 31.00
A. Wessell ..... 30.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 16.00
F. Leard ..... 32.00
J. Schofield ..... 30.00
W. Taylor ..... 16.00
L. Allard ..... 22.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 32.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 4.00
Trucks:
H. Morse ..... 90.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 84.00
J. Briggs ..... 90.00
R. Jones ..... 90.00
F. Penney ..... 90.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 15.00
$\$ 904.34$
Unexpended balance ..... 95.66
HOSMER STREET
$\$ 1,000.00$
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 14.00
$\$ 514.00$
Paid:
W. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... $\$ 51.00$
Payrolls-Labor:
C. Whitcomb ..... $\$ 32.00$
P. Callan ..... 32.00
P. Coughlin ..... 32.00
L. Worden ..... 24.00
A. Mauro ..... 21.00
J. Penney ..... 12.00
V. Smith ..... 8.00
C. A. Monroe ..... 30.00
W. Taylor ..... 12.00
T. Newsham ..... 12.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 8.00
Trucks:
R. Jones ..... 48.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 96.00
II. Morse ..... 96.00
MAIN STREET
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Loans authorized ..... 11,000.00
Received from state treasurer ..... 9,891.41
Received from county treasurer ..... 9,891.42
Paid:
Greenough Construction Co. ..... $29,674.23$
Unexpended balance ..... $\$ 3,108.60$
SCHOOL STREET
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Received from state treasurer, under Chap- ter 90 ..... 2,000.00
Received from county treasurer, under Chapter 90 ..... 2,000.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 149.95
\$6,149.95
Paid:
Conant Machine Co., parts ..... \$40.56
E. G. Chisholm \& Co., pipe ..... 19.56
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 199.05
Ole Granberg, gravel ..... 26.55
Trimount Oil Co., oil ..... 272.00
A. W. Davis Co., supplies ..... 51.70
A. W. Davis Co., coal ..... 19.21
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 18.76
E. Christofferson, stone ..... 60.00
A. H. Perkins, gas, oil for loader ..... 42.85
A. H. Perkins, freight ..... 6.24
George H. Reed, coal ..... 56.07
George V. Mead, posts ..... 20.50
W. A. Haynes Co., lumber ..... 89.75
W. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 72.60
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 8.55
Payrolls-Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 330.75
F. Courville ..... 214.00
R. Joy ..... 78.00
C. A. Monroe ..... 194.25
J. Penney ..... 68.00
A. Mauro ..... 115.00
L. Worden ..... 128.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 130.00
R. Boyce ..... 73.50
E. Leard ..... 91.50
W. Taylor ..... 136.00
Joseph Gagnon ..... 186.00
John Gagnon ..... 136.50
A. Wessell ..... 170.00
P. Callen ..... 110.00
P. Coughlin ..... 84.00
A. St. Cyr ..... 232.00
T. Newsham ..... 4.00
V. Smith ..... 60.00
R. Harlow ..... 16.00
George Penney ..... 12.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 368.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 96.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 64.00
Trucks:
J. Briggs ..... 527.25
R. Jones ..... 519.00
H. Morse ..... 508.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 336.75
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 157.50
WILLOW STREET
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Received from state treasurer, under Chap- ter 90 ..... $1,000.00$
Received from county treasurer, under Chapter 90 ..... 1,000.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 95.33
Paid:
E. G. Chisholm \& Co., pipe ..... 23.48
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 3.10
Conant Machine Co., chain ..... 17.25
F. S. Whitcomb, gravel ..... 12.15
R. A. Reed, gravel ..... 210.30
A. H. Perkins, cement ..... 8.00
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 8.80
Trimount Oil Co., oil ..... 187.00
Payrolls-Labor :
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... 129.00
J. Gagnon ..... 57.00
A. Wessell ..... 84.00
F. Courville ..... 62.00
Joseph Gagnon ..... 50.50
A. St. Cyr ..... 124.00
J. Penney ..... 60.00
R. Joy ..... 76.00
C. A. Monroe ..... 76.00
C. Whitcomb ..... 68.00
W. Taylor ..... 74.00
E. Leard ..... 63.00
E. LeClair ..... 76.00
$\$ 3,095.3 ?$
R. Penney ..... 30.00
L. Worden ..... 67.50
R. Boyce ..... 31.50
A. Mauro ..... 39.00
J. Shedd ..... 55.50
P. Callan ..... 2.00
P. Coughlin ..... 2.00
T. Newsham ..... 2.00
F. Smith ..... 2.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 177.50
W. H. Kingsley ..... 32.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 24.00
Trucks:
H. Morse ..... 256.00
R. Jones ..... 167.75
W. H. Kingsley ..... 184.50
J. Briggs ..... 292.50
A. Frost ..... 72.00
E. Hallowell ..... 120.00
A. H. Perkins, transportation ..... 68.00
SNOW REMOTAL
Appropriation ..... $\$ 3,400.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 18.10

$\$ 3.418 .10$
Paid:
A. Christofferson ..... $\$ 295.75$
Fred S. Whitcomb ..... 4.00
A. H. Perkins ..... 143.00
N. E. Road Machinery Co., parts ..... 122.36
D. F. Penney ..... 12.00
John Pederson ..... 2.789 .84
Fraser Laffin ..... 10.00
H. F. Davis Tractor Co., repairs ..... 11.50
J. T. McNiff, sharpening. ..... 15.65
E. P. Gates, repairs on plough ..... 9.50
George H. Reed, shovels ..... 4.50Appropriation$\$ 400.00$
Paid :
Eastern Tractors Co., show fence ..... $\$ 328.90$
A. H. Perkins, freight ..... 34.49
\$363. 39
Unexpended balance ..... 36.61
$\$ 400.00$
STREET LIGHTING
Appropriation ..... $\$ 5,000.00$
Paid:
American Woolen Co. ..... \$4,930. 82
Unexpended balance ..... 69.18
$\$ 5,000.00$
WIDENING ROAD AT KELLEY'S CORNER
Appropriation ..... $\$ 200.00$
Appropriation unexpended
PUBLIC WELFARE
Appropriation ..... \$1,800.00
Paid:
Orders as approved by board of public welfare ..... \$1,140. 09
Unexpended balance ..... 659.91
\$1,800.00
STATE AID
Appropriation
Paid ..... $\$ 292.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 108.00 ..... $\$ 400.00$$\$ 400.00$
Amount due from state treasurer, $\$ 292.00$
EDUCATION
Appropriation ..... $\$ 44,000.00$
Paid:
Report of school committee ..... 43,987. 67
Unexpended balance ..... 12.33
$\$ 44,000.00$
HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
Balance ..... $\$ 404.59$
Paid:
N. H. Tenney, hoist for ashes ..... $\$ 75.00$
O. P. Tucker, labor ..... 30.09
E. E. Smith Co., hardware ..... 37.32
Edgar H. Hall, balance of fund for equip- ment ..... 262.18
\$404.59
HIGH SCHOOL GROUNDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Paid:
W. H. Kingsley, teams ..... $\$ 383.75$
W. H. Kingsley, truck ..... 14.00
W. H. Kingsley, labor ..... 5.50
L. W. Perkins, teams ..... 152.00
J. W. Livermore, teams ..... 204.00
A. Dubey, labor ..... 120.00
R. Dudley, labor ..... 109.50
C. Dudley, labor ..... 109.00
P. Callan, labor ..... 118.00
T. Monihan, labor ..... 98.00
J. Crosby, labor ..... 20.00
E. Hurley, labor ..... 72.00
F. Lawrence, labor ..... 66.00
W. E. Whitcomb superintendent ..... 183.00
P. Coughlin, labor ..... 110.00
V. T. Estin, blasting ..... 94.82
A. W. Davis, truck ..... 9.50
A. W. Davis Co., tools, seed, etc. ..... 61.55
Hall Bros. Co., stakes ..... 1.85
E. P. Gates ..... 10.90
Warren Boyce, labor ..... 22.50

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Unexpended balance
LIBRARY
Maintaenance
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Tranferred from reserve fund ..... 88.74

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Paid:
A. F. Davis, librarian ..... $\$ 154.50$
A. F. Davis, janitor ..... 154.50
A. F. Davis, catloging, binding, writing cards, etc. ..... 66.90
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 73.40
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 169.79
American Woolen Co. ..... 34.05
Scott \& Williams, castings ..... 3.30
O. E. Houghton, trans, books ..... 50.00
Frank E. Fiske, labor ..... 45.00
O. W. Weod, labor ..... 51.30
Geo. H. Phelps, repairs ..... 16.27
E. F. Conant, insurance ..... 51.85
E. Z. Stanley, labor ..... 5.70
S. Ward Co., paper ..... 35
Dennison Mfg. Co., boxes ..... 1.08
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 10.75
\$888.74
BOOK ACCOUNT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transferred from library fund ..... 515.21
\$715. 21
Paid :
Boston Athenarum ..... \$1.50
Reagil Co. ..... 153.01
DeWolfe Fiske \& Co. ..... 466.76
Dura Binding Co. ..... 14.95
Butterick Reading Co. ..... 3.00
Business Book Pub. Co. ..... 2.89
Real Book Co. ..... 2.25
Ezra Meeker ..... 2.00
Wash Publishing Co. ..... 3.00
Edwin H. Frost ..... 1.00
Herman Goldberger ..... 49.00
Enterprise Co. ..... 1.50
Campbell \& Leunig ..... 14.35
CEMETERIES
AppropriationPaid:
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., boards ..... \$6.91
Fred W. Green, labor ..... 590.35
Fred W. Green, lawn mowers ..... 13.10
W. H. Kingsley, loam ..... 12.00
W. H. Kingsley, truck ..... 18.00
A. W. Davis Co., tools, paint, cement ..... 52.25
West \& So. Water Supply District ..... 20.79
M. E. Taylor \& Co., tools ..... 27.43
C. B. Dolge Co. ..... 58.60
Horace F. Tuttle, services, care of lots ..... 32.00
L. W. Perkins, team ..... 8.00
E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 1.00
Albert Bately \& Son, flowers ..... 5.75
E. A. Phalen, labor ..... 5.25
W. J. Costello, painting chapel ..... 36.00
J. W. Livermoore, mowing ..... 9.75
E. L. Spinney, mowing ..... 4.00
Fitzegerald garage, acetylene cutting ..... 4.50
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 4.25
$\$ 949.93$
Unexpended balance ..... 50.07
$\$ 1,000.00$
PERPETUAL CARE
Received intrest on cemetery fund ..... \$1,136.00
Received from surplus fund ..... 171.00
\$1,307.00
Paid:
Fred W. Green, labor, flowers ..... \$1,136.00
Frigid Fluid Co., lowering device ..... 171.00
\$1,307.00
INSURANCE OF EMPLOYES
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:

1. N. Hederstedt ..... 364.93
Unexpended balance ..... 135.07
$\$ 500.00$
MEMORIAL DAY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
Murray Brown, chairman ..... 300.00
DEMONSTRATION WORK IN AGRICULTURE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$Paid:
Middlesex County Extension Service ..... 300.00
FOUNTAIN AT WEST ACTON
Appropriation ..... $\$ 100.00$
Paid:
A. W. Davis, moving ..... 100.00
UNCLASSIFIED
Appropriation ..... \$500.00
Paid:
Enterprise Co. adv. ..... \$8.50
So. Acton Improvement Ass'n., rent ..... 50.00
Howard Wilson, professional services ..... 80.00
Turners Public Spirit, adv. ..... 6.50
M. Linsky \& Bro., uniforms ..... 87.00
H. F. Tuttle, recording deed ..... 1.00
Globe Newspaper Co., adv. ..... 10.80
Framingham News, adv. ..... 4.50
C. S. Parker \& Son., adv. ..... 3.00
N. E. Road Builders' Ass'n., adv. ..... 11.00
Balch Bros. \& West Co., markers ..... 3.14
Finney \& Hoit, flags ..... 12.50
H. J. Billings, express ..... 2.87
Town of Concord, labor on water main ..... 26.54
Allen Chair Co., furniture ..... 82.50
Dr. O. L. Clark, reporting birth ..... 1.00
Dr. E. A. Mayell, reporting birth ..... 1.25
Dr. R. E. Hooper, reporting birth ..... 50
Dr. E. F. Ryan, reporting births ..... 50
Dr. J. H. Matzkin, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. J. D. Christie, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. Ross K. Whitten, reporting births ..... 25
J. E. Cooms, ploughing sidewalks ..... 30.00
Ralph Piper, ploughing sidewalks ..... 19.25
Fred W. Green, ploughing sidewalks ..... 3.00
$\$ 446.10$ ..... 53.90Unexpended balance
$\$ 500.00$
RESERVE FUND
Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred to :
Police department ..... \$16.36
Fire department ..... 231.. 10
Tree warden ..... 59.78
Health and Sanitation ..... 97.59
High street ..... 118.50
Central street ..... 143.31
Hosmer street ..... 14.00
School street ..... 149.95
Willow street ..... 95.33
Snow removal ..... 18.10
Library account ..... 88.74Unexpended balance167.24
INTEREST
Appropriations: Revenue loans ..... \$1,200.00
High school bonds ..... 2,600.00
Other notes ..... 475.00
Received interest on bank balance ..... 241.81
Received interest on taxes ..... 2,238.89
$\$ 6,755.70$
Paid:
First Nat. Bank of Ayer, Revenue Loans ..... \$2,462.19
Merchants Nat. Bank, High School Bonds ..... $\$ 2,720.00$
No. Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 188.12
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 277.02
First Nat. Bank of Ayer ..... 32.00
\$5,679.33
Trans. to estimated receipts acct. ..... 1,076.37
\$6,755.70
LOANS
Appropriations: High School Bonds ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
Road notes ..... 5,900.00
Fire Department notes ..... 2,000.00
\$13,900. 00
Paid:
Merchants' National Bank Bonds ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
No. Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Fire Dept. ..... 2,000.00
No. Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Road ..... 1,250.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, Road ..... 4,250.00
First National Bank of Ayer, Road ..... 400.00
REVENUE LOANS
Amount outstanding Jan. 1, 1927 ..... $\$ 40,000.00$
Received First National Bank of Ayer.. 105,000.00
$\$ 145,000.00$
Paid:
First National Bank of Ayer ..... \$100,000. 00
Amount outstanding Dec. 31, 1927 ..... 45,000.00
REFUNDS
Paid on account 1926 tax18.48
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Due from collector Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$44,262.58
Received:
State tax ..... $5,160.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
County tax ..... 4,500. 20
County Tuberculosis tax ..... 367.23
December assessment ..... 46.70
Additional tax ..... 2.00
Overlay ..... 3,485.05
Town grant 97,952.71

\$157,349.67
Treasurer's cash on hand Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$15,872.89
'Treasurer's receipts other than taxes ..... 177,900.31
Interest on taxes ..... 2,238.89
\$196,012.09
$\$ 353,361.76$
Paid:
State tax ..... $\$ 5,160.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
County tax ..... 4,500. 20
County tuberculosis ..... 367.23
General Government ..... 4,323.58
Treasurer's and collectors bonds ..... 172.50
Buildings and grounds ..... 699.61
Police department ..... 816.36
Fire department ..... 1,431.10
Brush fires ..... 293.57
New hose ..... 255.00
Fire house ..... 3,200.00
Hydrant service ..... 2,934.00
Moth department ..... 1,269.01
Tree Warden ..... 209.78
Health and Sanitation ..... 1,297.59
Town nurse ..... 1,754.84
Highways-General ..... 14,550.74
High street ..... 618.50
Arlington street ..... 838.34
Central street ..... 3,143.31
Concord street ..... 904.34
Hosmer street ..... 514.00
Main street ..... 29,674. 23
School street ..... 6,149.95
Willow street ..... 3,095.33
Snow removal ..... 3,418.10
Snow fence ..... 363.39
Street lighting ..... 4,930.82
Public welfare ..... 1,140.09
State aid ..... 292.00
Education ..... $43,987.67$
High school building ..... 404.59
High school grounds ..... 1,965.87
Library maintenance ..... 888.74
Libray Book acct. ..... 715.21
Cemeteries ..... 949.93
Cemeteries, perpetual care ..... 1,307.00
Insurance of employees ..... 364.93
Memorial Day ..... 300.00
Demonstration work in agriculture ..... 300.00
Fountain at West Acton ..... 100.00
Unclassified ..... 446.10
Interest ..... 5,679.33
Notes and bonds ..... 13,900.00
Revenue loans ..... 100,000.00
Refunds ..... 18.48
\$271,218.56
979.52 Abatements
54,946.75
Amount due from collector Dec. 31, 1927 ..... 26,216.93

$\$ 353,361.76$
OVERLAYS
1924:
Balance, Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$109.19
Abatement ..... \$2.00
Transferred to overlay surplus ..... 107.19
1925 :
Balance Jan. 1, 1927 \$1,638 ..... 45
Abatements ..... \$673.00
Transferred to overlay surplus ..... 965.45
\$1,638.45
1926 :
Balance Jan. 1, 1927 ..... \$125.40
Refund ..... 18.48
$\$ 143.88$
Balance Dec. 31, 1927\$3.458.27
1927:Overlay$\$ 3.485 .05$
Abatements ..... 179.12
Balance Dec. 311927\$3,305.93
OVERLAY SURPLUS
Balance .Jan. 1, 1927 ..... 1,938.96
Transferred from 1924 overlay ..... 107.19
Transferred from 1925 overlay ..... 965.45
Balance Dec. 31, 1927 ..... $\$ 3,011.60^{\prime}$
BALANCE SHEET, DEC, 31, 1927
Assets
Cash ..... \$26,216.93
Taxes 1926 ..... 11,578.59
Taxes 1927 ..... 43,368.16
Accounts receivable ..... 583.00
$\$ 81,746.68$
Liabilities
Revenue loans ..... $\$ 45,000.00$
Appropriation balance fire house ..... 800.00
Appropiation balance Main street ..... 3,108.60
Widening road at Kelley's Corner ..... 200.00
Departmental revenue ..... 583.00
Surplus War Bonus fund ..... 655.95
Surplus revenue 1927 ..... 1,600.00
Reserved for abatements-1926 ..... 3,458.27
Reserved for abatements-1927 ..... 3,305.93
Overlay surplus ..... 3,011. 60
Revenue surplus ..... 20,023.33
$\$ 81,746.68$

## DEBT ACCOUNT

Net funded or bonded debt ..... $\$ 82,750.00$;
High school bonds ..... $\$ 62,000.00$
Fire department notes ..... 2,000.00
Special road notes ..... 2,150.00
Lowell road notes ..... 2,500.00
Fire House notes ..... 3,100.00
Main street notes ..... 11,000.00
$\$ 82,750.00$

> Respectfully sudmitted, HOWARD L. JONES, Town Accountant.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the tax collector and treasurer of the town of Acton and find them correct to the best of my knowledge.

February 10, 1928.

> HOWARD L. JONES,
> Town Accountant.

## STATE AUDIT OF ACCONTS

December 21, 1927.

To the Board of Selectmen,<br>Mr. Murray Brown, Chairman, Acton, Massachusetts. Gentlemen :-

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Acton for the period from January 1, 1926 to September 26, 1927, made in accordance with the provisions of Capter 44 of the General Laws. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, chief accountant of this division.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,<br>Director of Accounts

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,
Director of Accounts,
Department of Corporations and Taxation, State House, Boston.
Sir :-
As directed by you, I have made an audit of books and accounts of the town of Acton for the period from January 1, 1926, to September 26, 1927, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town were examined and checked for the entire period.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the records of the departments paying money to the treasurer and with other sources from which money was received: and the payments were checked with the selectmen's orders authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds. The treasurer's cash book was footed, the necessary correcting and adjusting entries ivere made, and the cash balance was verified.

Appended to this report is a table showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash and bank accounts.

The books of the tax collector were examined and checked.
the commitments were reconciled to the warrants given by the assessors, the payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's books, the cash on hand was counted, the abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and verified. The outstanding accounts were further proved by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

Tables showing summaries of the tax accounts are appended to this report.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investments of the various trust and investment funds were personally examined and listed. Appended to this report are tables showing the condition of these funds.

The town clerk's records of appropriations and other financial items as voted by the town in 1926 and 1927 were examined, and the appropriations were listed and checked to the accountant's and the assessors' records.

It was noted that the appropriations raised by the assessors in 1927 contained an item of $\$ 2,000$, which was reappropriated from an unexpended balance of 1926, while they did not raise an item of $\$ 400.00$ voted in 1927. This resulted in an excess of revenue for 1927 of $\$ 1,600.00$.

It was noted that it has been the custom of the town to vote to raise by taxation a specified amount each year. This vote is not necessary, as the assessors are governed in this respect by Section 23, Capter 59, General Laws.

In checking the payments charged to the various appropriations, it was noted that on June 22, 1927, there was an item of $\$ 50.00$ charged to the appropriation for schools and paid to the American Woolen Company with a notation: "By vote of school committee to maintain a cash balance with the American Woolen Company in order to take advantage of the cash discounts." As this payment does not some within the purposes for which a town may appropriate money, the sum advanced should be withdrawn.

It was found that in 1926 receipts derived from interest on bank deposits and from interest on overdue taxes were credited to the appropriation for interest on town debt. This procedure is contrary to the provisions of Section 53, Chapter 44, General Laws, as amended by Chapter 205, Acts of 1926, which reads as follows:

All money's received by any town officer or department, except as otherwise provided by special acts and except fees provided for by statute, shall be paid by such officer or department upon their receipt into the town treasury. Any sums so paid into the town treasury shall not later be used by such officer or department without a specific
appropriation thereof, except that sums allotted to towns for highway purposes by the commonwealth of a country, which shall be used only for the purposes specified by the officials making the allotment or to meet temporary loans issued in anticipation of such allotment as provided in section six or six A, shall be available therefor without any appropriation.
In addition to the departments and accounts mentioned, ihe books and accounts of all other departments receiving moner for the town were examined and checked, the payments to the treaswrer and the cash on hand being verified.

Summary tables showing the transactions of the departmental accounts, and a balance sheet, showing the financial condition of the town as of September 26, 1927, are appended to this report.

While engaged in making the audit I received the co-operation of the various officials and I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. H. FENTON.<br>Chief Accountant.

## RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

| Balance January 1, 1926 | \$26,763.60 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Receipts 1926 | 267,946.10 |

$\$ 294.709 .70$
Payments 1926 . . ......................... $\$ 278,836.81$
Balance December 31, 1926 ............... 15,872.89
\$294.709.70
Balance January 1, 1927 ................... $\$ 15,872.89$
Receipts Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 ......... 127,647.48
Unpaid orders 1927
425.33
$\$ 143,945.70$
Payments Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 .......\$124,929.03
Balance Sept. 26, 1927:
First Nat. Bank, Ayer,
per statement $\ldots \ldots . \$ 24,470.34$
Less outstanding checks.
per list ............. 8.494. 43

Cash on hand as of Sept. 26, 1927, (deposited Oct. 13, 1927) 3,025.76
Cash memorandum
\$19,016.67
\$143,945.70

## TAXES AND MOTH ASSESSMENTS 1923

Commitment per warrants:
Taxes, . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 83,047.08$
Moth assessments ......... 72.75
$\$ 83,119.83$
Interest collections:
1923 . $\therefore . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$.
1924 ........................ . . 573.47
1925 ......................... . . 582.59
1926 ........................ 7.81
\$1,205. 87
$\$ 84,325.70$
Payments to treasurer:
1923 ....................... . . $\$ 63,704.19$
1924 ........................ . . $13,627.58$
1925 ......................... . 6,119.29
1926 ........................ . 96.38
\$83,547.44
Abatements:

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1924 \text {. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 464.82
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1925 205.48

1926
107.96
$\$ 778.26$
$\$ 84,325.70$

## TAXES AND MOTH ASSESSMENTS, 1924

Commitment per warrants:
Taxes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 93,682.86$
Moth, ...................... 18.50
Commitment list in excess of
warrant .................... 2.00
Interest collections:
1924 ........................ $\$ 161.42$
1925 ......................... 844.93
1926 ....................... $\quad 746.41$
Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, $1927 \ldots \quad 17.01$
\$1,769.77
$\$ 95.473 .1$,

| Payments to treasurer: |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 1924 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |  |
| 1925 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $19,996.22$ |
| 1926 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $7,728.40$ |
| Jan. 1 to Sept. $26,1927 \ldots$. | 124.10 |  |

$\$ 95,045.54$
Abatements:
1924 \$111.78
1925 ........................ . . 159.88
1926 ....................... 151.83
Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, $1927 \ldots \quad 2.00$
C'ash on hand Sept. 26, 1927. verified .... $\begin{array}{r}\$ 425.49 \\ 2.10\end{array}$
$\$ 95.473 .13$
Taxes-1925
Commitment per warrant .... $\$ 115,434.10$
Commitment list in excess
of warrant ............... 2.00
\$115,436.10
Interest collections:
1925 ....................... . . $\$ 115.98$
1926 ........................ $1,803.35$
Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927... 916.14

Abatement after payment, to be refunded
\$118.284. 57

| Payments to treasurer: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1925 | \$67,643. 01 |
| 1926 | 35,917.39 |
| Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 | 9,960.54 |

Abatements:
1925 ..... \$663.00
1926 ..... 152.00
Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 ..... 27.00
$\$ 842.00$
Outstanding Sept. 26, 1927, per list ..... 3,431. 69
Cash on hand Sept. 26, 1927, verified:
Taxes ..... $\$ 400.58$
Interest ..... 89.36
$\$ 489.94$
\$118,284.57
Taxes-1926
Commitment per warrant ..... $\$ 93,587.62$
Interest collections:
1926 ..... $\$ 45.30$
Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 ..... 447.50
$\$ 492.80$
Abatement after payment, refunded ..... \$38.28
Overpayment to treasurer ..... 95.00
\$94,213.70Payments to treasurer :1926\$62,130.12Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 .... 13,292.61
\$75,422.73
Abatements:
1926 ..... \$364.34Jan. 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 . 113.52
$\$ 477.86$
Outstanding Sept. 26, 1927, per list ..... \$17,863.40
Cash on hand Sept. 26, 1927, verified :
Taxes ..... \$382.99
Interest ..... 66.72
$\$ 449.71$

## Taxes-1927

Commitment per warrant
\$113,085. 09
Outstanding Sept. 26, 1927, per commitment book
Reconciliation of Water District Treasurer's Cash
Balance April 1, 1926 ..... \$3,373.75
Receipts to March 31, 1927 ..... 13,331.19
\$16,704.94
Payments April 1, 1926 to March 31, 1927. \$13,335.47
Balance March 31, 1927 ..... 3,369.47
Balance April 1, 1927 ..... \$3,369. 47
Receipts to October 13, 1927 ..... 7,863.37
\$11,232.84
Payments April 1 to October 13, 1927 \$8,491. 05
Balance October 13, 1927 ..... 2,741.79
\$11,232.84
Balance October 13, 1927 ..... \$2,741.79
Bank balance October 13, 1927 ..... 2,163.72
Cash on hand October 13, 1927 ..... 578.07\$2,741.79
Bank balance October 13, 1927 ..... \$2,163.72
Outstanding checks per list ..... 398.58
\$2,562.30
Balance, per bank statement ..... \$2,562. 30
Water District Taxes-1924
Commitment ..... \$1,973. 87
Interest collections ..... 33.76
Abatement after payment ..... 1.12
Overpayment to treasurer ..... 44
Payments to treasurer:
To April 1, 1925 ..... \$1,501.45
To April 1, 1926 ..... 340.20
To April 1, 1927 ..... 143.69
\$1,985.34
Abatements:
To April 1, 1925 ..... \$2.35
To April 1, 1926 ..... 89
Outstanding Sept. 26, 1927, per list\$5.36Cash on hand Sept. 26, 1927,verified15.25

## Water District Taxes-1925

Commitment ..... \$1,986.26
Interest collections ..... 28.95
Overpayment, to be refunded ..... 43
\$2,015. 64
Payments to treasurer:
To April 1. 1926 ..... \$1,444.50
To April 1, 1927 ..... 310.65
April 1 to Sept. 26, 1927 ..... 49.69\$1,804. 84
Abatements:
To April 1, 1926 ..... \$2.41
Outstanding Sept. 26, 1927,per list ................... $\$ 123.18$
Cash on hand Sept. 26, 1927,verified85.21
$\$ 208.39$\$2,015. 64
Dog Licenses
1926
Cash on hand January 1, 1926, ..... \$123. 60
Licenses issued:
Males, 184 @ $\$ 2.00$ ..... \$368.00
Females, 51 @ \$5.00 ..... 255.00
Kennel, 1 @ $\$ 25.00$ ..... 25.00
$\$ 648.00$$\$ 771.60$
Payments to county treasurer ..... $\$ 665.00$
Town clerks fees, 236 @ 20c ..... 47.20
Cash on hand December 31, 1926 ..... 59.40

## 1927

Cash on hand January 1, 1927 ..... $\$ 59.40$
Licenses issued January 1 to October 17, 1927:
Males, 203 @ $\$ 2.00$ ..... 406.00
Females, 59 @ \$5.00 ..... 295.00
Kennel, 1 @ \$25.00 ..... 25.00
$\$ 726.00$
$\$ 785.40$
Payments to county treasurer ..... \$229.80
Town clerks fees, 263 @ 20c ..... 52.60
Cash on hand October 17, 1927 ..... 503.00
$\$ 785.40$
Hunting and Fishing Licenses ..... 1927
Licenses issued:
Resident citizens' sporting, 80 @ $\$ 2.25$ ..... \$180.00
Alien citizens' sporting, 1 @ $\$ 15.25$ ..... 15.25Resident citizens’ trapping, 1 @ $\$ 2.25$2.25
\$197.50
Payments to state treasurer ..... \$145.00
'Town clerk's fees, 82 (11) 25 c ..... 20.50
Cash on hand October 17, 1927 ..... 32.00\$197.50
Licenses Issued by Selectmen
1926
Licenses issued ..... \$59.00
Payments to treasurer ..... 59.00January 1 to September 26, 1927
Licenses issued$\$ 60.00$
Payments to treasurer ..... $\$ 39.00$
Cash on hand September 26, 1927 ..... 16.00
Outstanding September 26, 1927 ..... 5.00
Licenses issued ..... $\$ 60.00$
SEALER OF WEIGH'TS AND MEASURES 1926
Fees for sealing ..... \$53.89
Overpayment to treasurer ..... 37Payments to treasurer$\$ 54.26$
January 1 to October 21, 1927
Fees for sealing ..... $\$ 51.29$
Cash over ..... 1.38
$\$ 52.67$
Payments to treasurer ..... $\$ 50.32$
Cash on hand September 26, 1927 ..... 2.35
$\$ 52.67$
SEALER OF LEAD
Lead sold January 1 to October 29, 1927 ..... \$186.44
Oustanding September 26, 1927 $\$ 30.00$
Cash on hand September 26, 1927 ..... 156.44
\$186.44
LIBRARY
1926
Fines, etc. collected ..... $\$ 55.87$
Payments to treasurer ..... $\$ 54.00$
Expended for postage, etc. ..... 1.87
\$5̄5. 87
January 1 to October 19, 1927
Fines, ete collected$\$ 43.47$
Payments to treasures ..... $\$ 39.00$
Expended for postage, etc. ..... 51
Cash on hand October 19, 1927 ..... 3.96
WOODLAWN CEMETERY
1926
Sale of lots ..... $\$ 285.00$
Payments to treasurer ..... $\$ 285.00$
January 1 to October 17, 1927
Sale of lots ..... $\$ 110.00$
Cash on hand October 17, 1927 ..... 110.00
MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY ..... 1926
Sale of lots ..... $\$ 60.00$
Payments to treasurer ..... 60.00
January 1 to October 17, 1927Sale of lots$\$ 50.00$
Cash on hand October 17, 1927 ..... 50.00

## ELIZABETH WHITE CHARITY FUND

|  | Savings Bank <br> Deposits | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| On hand at beginning of year $1926 \ldots$ | $\$ 26,544.99$ | $\$ 26,544.99$ |
| On hand at end of year $1926 \ldots \ldots$. | $27,183.43$ | $27,183.43$ |
| On hand September $26,1927 \ldots \ldots$. | $27,286.34$ | $27,286.34$ |



| Securities |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Savings | Par |  |
| Deposits | Value | Total |


| On hand at beginning of year 1926 | \$9,457.53 | \$1,000.00 | \$10,457.53 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| On hand at end of year 1926 | \$9,481.95 | \$1,000.00 | \$10.481.95 |
| On hand September |  |  |  |
| 26, 1927 | \$9,512. 66 | \$1,000.00 | \$10,512.66 |

Receipts Payments

## 1926

| Income | \$493.24 | Added to savings deposits Transferred to town for library |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | \$493. | Total | 493. |

January 1 to September 26, 1927

| Income $\ldots .$. | $\$ 30.71$ | Added to savings deposits | $\$ 30.71$ |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Total $\ldots .$. | $\$ 30.71$ | Total $\ldots . . . . . . . . .$. | $\$ 30.71$ |

## 82 <br> FIREMEN'S RELIEF FUND

|  | Savings Bank <br> Deposits | Total |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| On hand at beginning of year $1926 \ldots$ | $\$ 375.92$ | $\$ 375.92$ |
| On hand at end of year $1926 \ldots \ldots$. | 393.96 | 393.96 |
| On hand September $26,1927 \ldots \ldots$. | 393.96 | 393.96 |


| Receipts | Payments |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1926 |  |
| Income | \$18.04 | Savings bank deposits | \$18.04 |
| Total |  | 8.04 Total | \$18.04 |
| APRIL 19TH CELEBRATION FUND |  |  |  |
|  |  | Savings Bank | Total |
| On hand at begimni | of yea | 1926 .. ${ }_{\text {¢ }}^{\text {deposits }}$ |  |
| On hand at end of | ar 1926 | 279.19 | 279.19 |
| On hand September | 26, 1927 | 279.19 | 279.19 |
| Receipts |  |  | ayments |
|  | 1926 |  |  |
| From committee, Income .......... | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 264.13 \\ 15.06 \end{array}$ | Savings bank deposits | \$279.19 |
| Total | \$279.19 | Total | \$279.19 |
| CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND AND WILLIAM CHAPLIN FUND |  |  |  |
| Cash |  | $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Savings } & \text { Securities } \\ \text { Bank } & \text { Par }\end{array}$ | Total |
|  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Deposits Value |  |
| On hand at beginning |  |  |  |
| On hand at lend of |  |  |  |
| On hand Sept. 1927 | \$23,033.17 \$12,400.00 \$ |  |  |
| Receipts |  | Payments |  |
|  |  | 1926 |  |
| Sale of securities $\$ 300.00$ Added to savings deposits \$2,045.01 |  |  |  |
| Bequests ....... 1 | 325.00 | Care of lots | 1,020.25 |
| Income ..........1,453.00 Cash on hand Jan. 1, |  | Expended Chaplin Fund | 112.7 |
|  |  |  | 3,178.00 |
| Cash on hand Jan. 1 ,$1926 \text {.......... } 100.00$ |  |  |  |
| Total ! . . . . . ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 178.00 | Total |  |

January 1 to September 26, 1927

| Sale of securities | \$300.00 | Added to savings dep | \$1,485.39 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bequests | 700.00 | Transferred to town | 108.00 |
| Income | 593.39 |  |  |
| Total | 1,593.39 | Total | \$1,593.39 |

## CHARLOTTE L. GOODNOW FUND

|  | Savings Bank <br> Deposits | Total |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| On hand at begimning of year $1926 \ldots$ | $\$ 3,282.21$ | $\$ 3,282.21$ |
| On hand at end of year $1926 \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $3,304.56$ | $3,304.56$ |
| On hand September 26,1927 $\ldots \ldots \ldots$ | $3,304.56$ | $3,304.56$ |


| Receipts |  | Payments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1926 |  |
| Income | \$158.35 | Added to savings deposits | \$22.35 |
|  |  | Evangelical Congregational Church | 125.00 |
|  |  | Care cemetery lot | 11.00 |
| Total | \$158.35 | Total | \$158.35 |
| January 1 to September 26, 1927 |  |  |  |
| Income | \$75.00 | Evangelical Congregational Church | \$75.00 |
| Total | \$75.00 | Total | \$75.00 |

TOWN OF ACTON
BALANCE SHEET-SEPTEMBER 26, 1927 GENERAL ACCOUNTS
ASSETS
Cash in bank and office ..... \$19,016. 67
Accounts Receivable:
Taxes-Levy of 1924 ..... \$ 2.10
Levy of 1925 ..... 18,151.39
Levy of 1927 ..... 113,085.09
Estimated receipts to be collected ..... 11,972.68
Loans authorized ..... 6.100 .00

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Accounts Overdrawn:
Central street ..... \$2,097. 96
Willow street ..... 1,325.58
High street ..... 14.00
Snow removal ..... 18.10
Library books ..... 220.61
Care of cemetery lots ..... 650.00

## LIABILITIES

Temporary loans:
In anticipation of revenue ..... \$100,00.00
Unpaid orders ..... 425.33
Surplus war bonus fund ..... 655.95
State tax ..... 5,160.00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
County tax ..... 4,500. 20
Tuberculosis hospital tax ..... 367.23
Unexpended balances ..... 41,768.70
Overlays reserved for abatements:
Levy of 1925 ..... \$1,611.45
Levy of 1926 ..... 3,488.63
Levy of 1927 ..... 3,485.05
8,585. 13
Reserve fund-Overlay surplus ..... 2,046.15
Revenue 1927 ..... 1,600.00
Surplus revenue ..... 9,791.56
$\$ 176,473.45$
DEBT ACCOUNTS
ASSETS
Net funded or fixed debt ..... \$77,050.00
LIABILITIES
Fire department loan ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Lowell road loan ..... 2,500.00
Special road loan ..... 2,550.00
Main street loan ..... 8,000.00
High school loan 62,000.00
TRUST ACCOUNTS
ASSETS
Trust funds-Cash and securities:
In custody of :
Town treasurer ..... $\$ 73,905.32$
Goodnow fund trustees ..... 3,304.56
\$77,209. ..... 88
LIABILITIES
White charity fund ..... $\$ 27,286.34$
Library funds ..... 10,512.66
Firemen's relief fund ..... 393.96
April 19th celebration fund ..... 279.19
Cemetery perpetual care funds ..... 35,420.47
William Chaplin fund, cemetery ..... 12.70

$\$ 73,905.32$
Goodnow fund ..... 3,304.56
\$77,209.88

## REPORT OF FIRE HOUSE BUILDING COMMITTEE

The committee organized with Frank W. Hoit, chairman. and R. W. Piper, secretary. After deciding on the location, proceded to straighten out the title and claims. After some time this was arranged without expense.

The committee finally decided on the plans as built and after advertising, according to the town by-laws, the contract was awarded to George K. Haywood, for $\$ 4,000.00$.

The committee feels that the contractor carried out his contract and the town has a building to be proud of. The cement grading was not completed on account of the weather, and the committee asks for further time to complete the cement grading and final acceptance of the building.

> | FRANK W. HOIT, Chairman, |
| :--- |
| R. W. PIPER, Secretary, |
| J. J. MANNING, |
| MURRAY BROWN, |
| HOWARD J. BILLINGS, |
| WALDO E. WHITCOMB, |
| Committee. |

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS










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Chase, Thomas N. Comstock, Elisha Conant, Francis
Conant, George Conant, George
Conant, John . Conant, Joel H. Conant, Luther and Augustine
Conant \& Danforth . . . . . . . . Conant \& Danforth
Cudworth, C. M.
Cutler, Elisha H. Cutler, Elisha H.
Davis, William W Davis, William W.
Dole, Cyrus G. . . Dole, Lemuel and Dole, Lucy Irene Faulkner, W. E. Flagg, Charlotte C. Flagg, Isaac T. Fletcher, Aaron
Fletcher, Daniel Fletcher, Edwin IV Israel $H$.
Cyrus ... Fletcher, John Flelcher, Mary Handley, Aaron Handley, Nand H , C .
 Haynes, Henry

















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Parsons, F. E. . . . . . . . . Phillips, Pickard, Cyrus
Pike, George M. Pike, Martin and Piper, Hepsabeth Piper, Josiah Piper, Luther W. Pratt, Lorenzo Putney, Jonas K. Raymond, Nancy and Joseph Estabrook Reed, Joseph L. Reed, Moses A. . Reed, Reuben L. Robbins, Elbridge Robbins, Hannah Robbins, Mary A Robbins, Mary E Robbins, Warren







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| 100. | Routilard, Granville and Millicent |
| :---: | :---: |
| 101. | Rouillard, Margaret |
| 102. | Severance, Mary |
| 10:). | Skinner, Mary |
| 104. | Smith, Henry M. |
| 105. | Smith, Solomon |
| 106. | Snelling, J. P. |
| 107. | Symonds and Tuttle |
| 108. | Tarbell, Edwin |
| 109. | 'Taylor, Moses |
| 110 | Taylor, Zoeth |
| 111. | Temple, James |
| 112. | Truette, Joseph |
| 113. | Tuttle, Daniel |
| 114. | Tuttle, Edward |
| 115. | Tuttle, Horace |
| 116. | Tuttle, James |
| 117. | 'Tuttle, Jedediah |
| 118 | Tuttle, Julian |
| 119. | Tuttle, Luke |
| 120. | Tuttle, Varnum and Francis |
| 121. | Tuttle, William D. |
| 122. | Watson, Clark; Tuttle, Whitney |
| 123. | Wayne, Robert |
| 124 | Wayne, John A. |
| 125 | Wetherbee, Daniel |
| 126 | Wetherbee, Daniel J. and E. E. |
| 127. | Wheeler, Fidelia |


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| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{aligned} & \text { On hand } \\ & \text { Jan. 1, } 1927 \end{aligned}$ | Income | Expended | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Dec. } 31,1927 \end{gathered}$ |
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| 1. | Adams, James L. | \$75.00 | \$78.79 | \$3.37 | \$3.00 | \$79.16 |
| $\underline{2}$. | Babcock, C. C. | 100.00 | 101.50 | 4.50 | 3.00 | 103.00 |
| 3. | Bean, Alcander P. | 100.00 | 110.08 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 110.58 |
| 4. | Blanchard, John | 100.00 | 117.83 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 118.33 |
| 5. | Brown, Albert | 100.00 | 107.50 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 108.00 |
|  | Brown, Harriet D., John Porter, Priest, and Lucien J. Priest | 275.00 | 302.84 | 12.37 | 11.00 | 304.21 |
| 7. | Brown, Bessie E. | 100.00 | 113.91 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 114.41 |
|  | Burbeck, Lucy A. (Wetherbee) | 100.00 | 117.73 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 118.23 |
|  | Burr, William ............... | 100.00 | 104.25 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 104.75 |
|  | Bush, H. Louis (See Johnson, Emerline 1. ) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. | Chandler, Joseph E. | 100.00 | 106.33 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 105.83 |
|  | Chaplin, William, Sr. | 100.00 | 105.28 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 105.78 |
|  | Chaplin, William, Jr. | 200.00 | 218.81 | 9.00 | 10.00 | 217.81 |
|  | Chaplin, William, G. A. R. | 212.70 | 221.78 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 234.48 |
|  | Clark, H. T. | 100.00 | 103.87 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 103.87 |
|  | Charles, Will A . | 75.00 | 79.79 | 3.37 | 2.75 | 80.41 |
|  | Coburn, J. D. | 100.00 | 105.62 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 106.12 |
|  | Crampton, George | 100.00 | 116.65 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 116.65 |
|  | ('utler, David | 100.00 | 104.87 | 4.50 | 3.50 | 105.87 |
|  | Cutler, William A. and Bradley |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Stone | 100.00 | 101.58 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 101.58 |
|  | Davis, Silas | 75.00 | 75.83 | 3.37 | 2.50 | 76.70 |
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| 34. | Faulkner，Howard E． |
| 25. | Fletcher，Aaron J． |
| 26. | Fletcher，Charles ．J． |
| 27. | Flint，F．E．（See Johnson，Emer line A ．） |
| 28. | Fiuller，Emerson |
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| 30. | Gardner，Harriet II． |
| 31. | Gilmore，Walter A． |
| 32. | Goodnow，Lewis B． |
| 33. | Hall，B．D． |
| 34. | Hall，1）．H． |
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| 36. | Hall，E．L． |
| 37. | Hall，Ira B． |
| 38. | Hapgood，Benjamin F ． |
| 39. | Hapgood，Hiram ．J． |
| 40. | Hart and Hoar lot |
| 41. | Hartwell，Simon |
| 42. | Hayward，Mlvin $\Lambda$ ．and Ellen M． |
| 43. | Hayward，Francis |
| 44. | Hayward，Frank（． |
| 45． | Hayward，S．Lizzie |
| 46. | Hayward，．J．Warren |
| 47. | Hesselton，Lucius A． |
| 48. | Holden，Walter O． |
| 49. | Hosmer，Caroline X ． |








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| 78. | Pratt and Hooper |
| 79. | Preston, Emma |
| 80. | Priest, John Porter (See Harriet Brown) |
| 81. | Priest, Lucius J. (See Harriet Brown) ........................ |
| 82. | Reed, Isaiah |
| 83. | Rentell, James |
| 84. | Richardson, E. F. |
| 85. | Richardson, James E. |
| 86. | Robbins, Varnum |
| 87. | Robinson, Charles |
| 88. | Rowell, Henderson |
| 89. | Smith, Eben |
| 90. | Smith, Mary E. |
| 91. | Staples, Guy |
| 92. | Stevens, William F |
| 93. | Stockwell, Ira |
| 94. | Stone, Bradley (See William A. Cutler) |
| 95. | Stone, Edwin |
| 96. | Temple, John and Edward F. Pratt |
| 97. | Towne, George L. |
| 98. | Turner, George C. |
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# A REPORT OF THE WORK DONE BY THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE 

In the Town of Acton, for the Year 1927

The town of Acton appropriated $\$ 300.00$ in support of the Middlesex County Extension Service, through the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, for 1927. Following is a report of the work accomplished during the year:

In agriculture one hundred and fifteen farm visits were made assisting with individual problems of fruit growing, asparagus, forestry, poultry, dairying, and field crops. A complete mailing list is maintained and those thereon received timely information on these same subjects.

Talks were given before the local Grange, the Roadside Stand Association, and the Poultry Association. Co-operating with the State College a demonstration of rat control was given. At the Acton fair judges were furnished for several of the departments, and an exhibit was displayed showing some of the results of the work as it is now conducted.

In home-making a series of Home Improvement meetings were held for organized groups in West Acton and North Acton, with a total enrollment of about forty home-makers. Three local women enrolled in the Kitchen Improvement contest (countywide), two of whom received a first prize of $\$ 25.00$ each. A general meeting was also held at which time convenient kitchens were discussed. In the Fall a tour was conducted, and six women from Acton visited the prize kitchens. In West Acton a demonstration of furniture renovation was held with a large group attending.

Sixty-five boys and girls were enrolled in the $4-H$ clubs. These clubs included garden, canning, calf, poultry, handicraft, clothing and room beautiful. The local leaders co-operating in this work were Mrs. Rodney Stoney, Charles Edney, Miss Olive Vallenti, and Spencer Taylor.

James Edney won first prize in the county-wide boys' room beautiful contest. Ruth Flint was the outstanding girl in the clothing clubs, making a large number of articles. These two roung people were visited by the club agents from other counties in Massachusetts, to note the exceptional work they had done.

Several Acton boys and girls entered the canning and vegeta-
ble judging contest at the Acton fair. Donald Peppard, David Young and Austin Fisher won prizes. Betty Howe won first, second and third prizes in the various exhibits at the National contest held in Chicago. Ruth Flint and Austin Fisher were awarded a two-day trip to the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst because of the fine work they had done throughout the year.

At the Acton fair assistance was given in the arrangement of the boys' and girls' club exhibit, which was awarded first prize by the Middlesex North Agricultural Society.

In addition to the local work reported above the citizens of Acton had an opportunity to attend the annual meeting and the county pienic of the Extension Service in Waltham, as well as county-wide poultry, asparagus, fruit and dairy meetings.

Eight educational motion picture shows were given in the town during the year, to a total attendance of 1,047 . These meetings were not as well attended as those in other towns of similar size. It is hoped that another year more of the townspeople will avail themselves of this part of the service.

CHARLES B. WILLETT,
Director.

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report of the fire department. We have answered to calls for nineteen chimney and small fires and five building fires; only one of which was a serious one.

Would report the department in good condition in regard to equipment and members. We have a department of men always ready to answer all calls and render service.

There should be some repairs on the West firehouse and some new hose for West Acton.

I would recommend $\$ 350.00$ for new hose, and $\$ 1,200.00$ for regular expenses.

I would also recommend some action in regard to new alarm systems for the three precincts.

Also three Foamite chemicals for the department.
Respectfully,
FRANK W. HOIT'.
Chief Enginee?.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year endingDecember 31st, 1927 :

The following is a list of the special work done in your town last year, outside of the ordinary maintenance, such as scraping, dragging, surface repairs and treatments:

## WORK DONE UNDER CHAPTER 81

Brooks Street-Repaired $12^{\prime} \times 6^{\prime}$ stone bridge.
Central Street-Scarified and re-shaped 1,000 square yards.
Concord Street-Gravel, 200 feet.
Main Street-Raised 50 feet curbstone, six inches. Scarified and re-shaped 500 square yards. Gravel, 200 feet.

Fort Pond Road-Widened the corner at the junction of Newtowne road.

Nagog Hill Road-Gravel, 600 feet.
Parker Street-Gravel, 500 feet.
Pope Road-Gravel, 400 feet.
Powder Mill Road-Re-built shoulders of gravel, 400 feet.
Prospect Street-Gravel, 200 feet. Extended $1^{\prime} x 1^{\prime}$ stone culvert, $41 / 2$ feet.

Quimby Street-Gravel, 200 feet.
Railroad Street-Gravel, 200 feet.
Robbins Street-Gravel, 300 feet.
School Street (S. A.)--Scarified and re-shaped 800 square yards.

Stow Street-Scarified and re-shaped 600 square yards.
Summer Street-Gravel, 200 feet.

## WORK DONE UNDER CHAPTER 90

Central Street-Gravel, 1,371 feet; surface treated with $45 \%$ asphaltic oil. One drop inlet, 39 feet of $12^{\prime \prime}$ re-inforced concrete pipe; 300 feet of $5^{\prime \prime}$ side drain ; one stone culvert repaired; 185 feet of boulder guard rail.

School Street (S. A.)-Gravel, 2,600 feet: surface treated with $45 \%$ asphaltic oil. One drop inlet, 33 feet of $12^{\prime \prime}$ re-inforced concrete pipe; one twin $3^{\prime} x^{\prime} 3^{\prime}$ stone culvert repaired and extended, with concrete curbs installed; guard rail 644 feet.

Willow Street-Gravel 1,950 feet; surface treated with $45 \%$ asphaltic oil. One drop inlet, 36 feet of $12^{\prime \prime}$ re-inforced concrete pipe; one $2^{\prime} \times 2^{\prime}$ stone culvert repaired and extended.

WORK DONE UNDER SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS
Arlington Street-1,150 feet of gravel, treated with $45 \%$ oil (asphaltic) ; one catch basin, 200 feet of $12^{\prime \prime}$ corrugated iron pipe.

Concord Street-Gravel, 1,300 feet.
High Street-Gravel, 900 feet.
Hosmer Street-Gravel, 1,200 feet. Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT H. PERKINS, Superintendent of Streets.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

## Report for District Work from January 1, 1927 to June 30, 1927

Prenatal ..... 7
Postnatal ..... 5
Confinements ..... 3
Child welfare ..... 19
Bedside cases ..... 51
Bedside calls ..... 451
Emergency calls ..... 6
Social service ..... 21
Deaths ..... 1
John Hancock ..... 1
Metropolitan ..... 3
Fees collected ..... $\$ 90.00$
Respectfully submitted,
ESTHER A. ROBINSON, R. N.
REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
From September 1, 1927, to January 1, 1928
Prenatal ..... 5
Postnatal ..... 6
Metropolitan (bedside) ..... 149
John Hancock (bedside) ..... 50
Town calls (collected) ..... 35
Town calls (unfinished case) ..... 15
Total fees collected ..... $\$ 62.50$
Outstanding fees ..... 80.00
Clerical works ..... Over 100 his.
Respectfully submitted,
LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1927 :
Arrests made:
Drunkenness ................................. 8
Operating under influence of liquor ...... 4
Illegal sale of liquor ......................... . . 2
Bastardy ...................................... . . . 1
Assault ....................................... 1
Posting bills on private property ........ 1
Default warrant ............................. 1
Arrests ................................ 18
Returns from fines, $\$ 216.50$.
The work of this department is growing each year and it is impossible to do all the police work necessary on an appropriation of $\$ 800.00$.
The state police patrol, under Corporal William Puzzo, has co-operated splendidly, but, the citizens of Acton cannot expect them to do all their police work for them.
Out of eighteen arrests made last year, sixteen were made by the local police.
We were handicapped in our work the past year, because of the people not reporting to the police promptly and we ask all the citizens of Acton for their co-operation in this matter. When a crime is committed, get in touch with the police at once: do not wait, as it makes the work harder for the police and often helps the guilty party to escape justice.
Respectfully submitted.
MICHAEL FOLEY,
Chief of Police.

## REPORT INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

1927
Beef ..... :3
Veals ..... 15
Hogs ..... 9
Condemned, veal ..... 1

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton:
I herewith submit my report as inspector of animals for the year 1927 :
Milch cows ..... 400
Young cows ..... 62
Bulls ..... 21
Sheep
Swinne ..... 133
Stables ..... 118
Condemned for T. B. ..... 6Respectfully submitted,FRED S. WHITCOMB,Inspector.

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report as forest warden for the year ending December 31, 1927.

Total number of fires responded to, twenty-four.
This number, I am glad to say, is less than half of what we had the preceding year and consequently the cost of extinguishing and property damage has been correspondingly low, which is very remarkable in consideration of the drought of last spring.

Non-permit fires are growing less, but two parties paid the penalty of having a fire without a permit this year.

All deputy forest wardens are instructed to enforce Chapter 48, Paragraph 13, of the General Laws, relating to permits for fires in the open air.

Our equipment is in good condition, but we are in need of a few more extinguishers, which I think may be purchased if a sum of $\$ 500$ be appropriated for the maintenance of this department. I would like to recommend, however, that a sum of $\$ 1,000$ be appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a portable pump and hose for use at forest fires.

Respectfully submitterd,
ALAN B. FROST,
Forest Warden.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Accessions: No. of volumes in the library, Jan. 1, 1927, 16,753.

Increase by purchase, 443 , of which seven were obtained by binding magazines. Increase by gift, 68. Total increase, 511.

No. of volumes in the Library Jan. 1, 1928, 17,264.
Circulation: Number of days the Library was opened, 103. Number of volumes circulated, 10,960 . Largest daily circulation, 152 , February 23 ; smallest daily circulation, 61, on January 1. Daily average circulation, 106 plus.

Received from library fines and old maga-
zines sold .................................. $\$ 52.96$
Expended for postage ..................... . . 71
Paid to town treasurer
$\$ 52.25$
Gifts of books have been received from the following sources: U. S. Government, 4; State of Massachusetts, 11; American Tree Association, 1; Helena Arnold, 1; H. Bogigian, 1; Mrs. J. M. Brown, 3; Wm. A .Cook, 1; A. F. Davis, 1; C. A. Doten, 1: W. Filkin, 1; E. S. Fobes, 5; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ford, 1; J. W. Howell and H. Schroeder, 1; Samuel E. Knowlton, 1; T. E. Mitten, 1; Frank E. Parsons, 2; Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., 2 ; Benjamin Pope, 25 ; Publishing Committee on Economics, 1; Leonard D. White,4. Total, 68.

The librarian has presented to the library, two small watercolor drawings of historic inns of Acton.

ARTHUR F. DAVIS, Librarian.

## NON-FICTION

Adams, H.--The Education of Henry Adams 922A213a Adkins, F. J.-Historical Backgrounds of the Great war 940A236h Agg., T. R.-The Construction of roads and pavements 62 A 266 c Anon-American Standard of Perfection 63A100a
Anon-Amateur Telescope Making 52A100a
Anon-Heart Songs 78A100h
Arnold, H.-Teachings on Divine Law 23A755t Arnold, A. G.-The Little Country Theater 79A795l Atwood, A. W.-Putnam's Investment Handbook 33A887p

| Audubon, J. J.-Delineations of American Scenery and character |  |
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| Baker, C. H. C.-Design in Modern Industry | 74B167d |
| Barrett, E. S.-What I Saw at Bull Run | 973.7 B 274 w |
| Barton, B.-The Book Nobody Knows | 20B293b |
| Barton, W. E.-The Life of Abraham Lincoln. 2 vols. | ln. 922L736ba |
| Barton, W. E.-The life of Clara Barton. 2 vols | ols 922B293ba |
| Bardwell, F.-The Adventure of Old Age | 36B247a |
| Bassett, J. S.-The Middle Group of American Historians |  |
|  | 921 B 319 m |
| Baynes, S. G.-The Pith of Astronomy | 52B361p |
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| Brewster, E. T.-Swimming | 79B848s |
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| Charnley, M. V. (Ed.)-Secrets of Baseball | 79C483s |
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| ('hase, S.-The Tragedy of Waste | 33 C 487 t |
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| C'ohen, G. M.-Twenty Years on Broadway | 922 C 678 t |
| Coleman, A. P.-Ice Ages, Recent and Ancient | ient 55C692i |
| Collins, A. F.-Short Cuts in Figures | 51C712s |
| Columbus, C.-.Journal of His First Vorage to America 910C726j |  |
| Cook, W. W.-American Institutions and their preservation | 32C771a |
| Coolidge, T. J.-T. Jefferson Coolidge, 1831-1920 | 1920 922C7742c |
| Cornelius, C. O.-Early American Furniture | 74C814e |
| Craig, E. G.-Woodcuts and Some Words | $76 C 856 \mathrm{w}$ |
| Crawford, M. C.-Old Boston in Colonial Days | ys 973.2C8990 |
| Crevecoeur, J. H. S. and J.-Letters from an American |  |
| Farmer | 973C9261 |
| Dana, M.-Shorthand Made Easy | 65 D 169 s |
| Daniel, H.-Ships of the Seven Seas | 38 D 13 ts |
| D'Auvergne, E. B.--The English Castles | 914.2 D 244 c |
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Helps, E. A.-Songs and Ballads of Greater Britain 80H484s
Hind, C. L.-The Education of an Artist ..... 70 H 662 e e
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Lalanne, M.-A Treatise on Etching ..... $76 \mathrm{~L} 194 \dagger$
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| Thayer, L.-Doctor S. O. S. | T371d |
| Thayer, L.-Q. E. D. | T371q |
| Tuttle, M.-Kingdoms of the World | T967k |
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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GOODNOW FUND

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1927

## INVESTMENTS

Warren Institution for Savings ....... $\$ 1,328.89$
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank .... 1,000.00
City Institution for Savings, Lowell ...... . 1,000.00
$\$ 3,328.89$

## RECEIPTS

Warren Institution for Savings ........ \$5. $\$ .33$

Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank .. 50.00
City Institution for Saving .............. 50.00
\$159.33

## PAYMENTS

Ella L. Miller, treasurer of the Evangelical $\$ 125.00$
Church in Acton .................... $\$ 2.0$.
Fred W. Green, care of Goodnow lot, Woodlawn cemetery ................ 10.00
Unused income, added to savings deposit 24.33
\$159.33
CHARLOTTE CONANT, CHARLES E. SMITH, HORACE F. TUTTLE,

Trustees of Goodnow Fund.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# School Department <br> OF THE 

## Town of Acton

MASSACHUSETTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1927



## ORGANIZATION

## School Committee

Spencer H. Taylor, chairman
Mrs. Lulu L. Clark
Mrs. Alice Carlisle
Frank Toohey
Mrs. Mary Richardson
Edgar Hall

Superintendent
Charles W. Lawrence, So. Acton, Mass.

Attendance Officers
Thomas Scanlon
Harry Morse
Oliver D. Wood

Dr. E. A. Mayell
School Physician
$\qquad$
School Nurse
Lillian Frost

Term expires 1929
Term expires 1929
Term expires 1930
Term expires 1930
Term expires 1928
Term expires 1928

Telephone 45

West Acton
South Acton
Acton

Acton

North Acton

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

First short term begins January 3, 1928.
First short term ends February 17, 1928.
Second short term begins Feb. 27, 1928.
Second short term ends April 13, 1928.
Third short term begins April, 23, 1928.
High school graduation week of June 4-9, 1928.
Third short term ends June 22, 1928.
1926-1927
Fall term begins September 4, 1928.
Thanksgiving-School closes Nov. 21, 1928 and reopens Nov. 26, 1928.

Fall term ends December 21, 1928.
First short term begins January 2, 1929.

## Legal Holidays

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, July 4, first Monday of September, October 12, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (the day following when any of the first four days mentioned, the 12th of October, or Christmas occurs on Sunday).

Arbor Day falls on the last Saturday in April, and is not a legal holiday.

Flag Day falls on June 14, and is not a legal holiday. It should be observed by proper exercises by any school in session on that day.

The same is true of Armistice Day, November 11.

## STANDING RULES

Rule 1. Children shall not be admitted to the public schools until they are six years of age, excepting that children who are six by the first of January following opening of school in September, may be admitted with the approval of the superintendent of schools.

Rule 2. Pupils shall be promoted from grade to grade and school to school according to merit. Thorough and satisfactory work will be required of pupils in a lower grade or school before entering a higher grade or school.

Rule 3. Children who have not previously attended any school shall be admitted to the public schools only at the beginning of the fall term, unless qualified in the opinion of the teacher and superintedent of schools to do the work.

Rule 4. Pupils shall be held responsible for books loaned to them until returned to the teacher.

Rule 5. No repairs shall be made upon the public property in the care of the school committee except by their authorized agents.

Rule 6. There shall be no signal for "no school" on stormy or inclement days, but parents shall determine in their individual cases whether it is expedient to send their children to school or not.

Rule 7. Schools in the different grade school buildings shall be five and one-quarter hours long, and in the high school building shall be six hours long. In the high school building the six hours shall include one five minute recess, one thirty minute recess for lunch and a compulsory tutoring period of thirty minutes for all students not receiving passing grades in any subject. Students in the high school building, whose grades are above passing in all subjects may be excused from this compulsory tutoring period. Primary rooms in the grade school buildings shall have an outdoor recess each afternoon; other
rooms shall have a recess of sufficient length to allow pupils to go to basements. Deviation from these hours shall be made only with the consent of the superintendent, and shall be reported by him to the school committee at its next monthly meeting.

Rule 8. Doors shall not be opened before principals arrive. Pupils may be allowed to come to their rooms with the permis. sion of their room teachers, and pupils coming in barges may enter the basements, if weather conditions make it advisable.

Rule 9. The fire drill shall be given at least once in two weeks.

## Teachers in Service, December 31, 1927

| School Teach | App. Where Educated |  | Home Address |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Center : |  |  |  |
| Marion Towne | 1921 | Smith | Concord |
| Edith Taylor | 1927 | Wheelock | Littleton |
| South School: |  |  |  |
| Julia McCarthy | 1906 | Fitchburg Normal | Stow |
| Helga Nielson <br> Resigned J. 31928 | 1923 | Fitchburg Normal | South Acton |
| Dorothy Glazier | 1928 | Fitchburg Normal | Fitchburg |
| Elise Dickerman | 1906 | Fitchburg Normal | Ayer |
| Florence Merriam | 1927 | Framingham Nor. | South Acton |
| West School: |  |  |  |
| Maud Priest | 1922 | Fitchburg Normal | West Acton |
| Marjorie Stearns | 1925 | Fitchburg Normal | West Acton |
| Mildred Moore | 1925 | Leslie, School | West Acton |

Teachers in Service, December 31, 1927
Grades VII and VII:

Ella Miller
Olive Valente
Florice Fernald

1899
1925
1927 Mt. Holyoke Arlington
Acton High School Senior Section
Charles W. Lawrence
Elsie Bixby
Richard Hood
John F. Hough
Hazel P. Murray
L. Ashley Rich
E. Louise Turner

1925
1927 Framingham Nor. Boston University
1927 Dartmouth Waltham
1927 Colgate Ayer
1925 Boston University Lymn
1925 Northeastern Univ. Concord
1926 Chandler Hanover

South Acton
Woodville

JANITORS
High school, Daniel MacDougal, West Acton.
Center school, George Little, Acton.
South school, Theron Newton, South Acton.
West School, Thomas Scanlon, West Acton.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Voters of Acton:
The Acton school committee herewith submits the financial report and the approved reports of our superintendent and supervisors.

We wish to thank them and our teachers for their hearty co-operation throughout the year.

The committee has practiced the strictest economy and are glad to state that the 1927 accounts have been closed, and that we have been able to keep within our appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,
SPENCER TAYLOR,
Chairman, Acton School Committee.

## ESTIMATES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE

 FISCAL YEAR 1928
## FOR GENERAL EXPENSES

Salaries and other expenses of the Superintendent and Truant Officers ........ $\$ 2,340.00$
Clerk for Superintendent . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 660.00
Salaries of Teachers . ...................... . $27,000.00$
Text Books ................................ 1,200.00
Supplies ….................................. 750.00
Janitors wages, fuel and misc. operating
expenses ................................ $6,800.00$
Repairs ..................................... . . $1,000.00$
Transportation ............................ $3,000.00$
Health, Aux. Agencies ................... 250.00
Unclassified ................................. $1,000.00$
$\$ 44,000.00$
Received by Town of Acton on account of schools for reduction of taxes:
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Part 1, Chapter 70, General Laws
Tuitions Boxboro and Carlisle ........................ 1,927.40
Total
$\$ 6,267.40$
PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1927
GENERAL CONTROL
Salaries and other expenses of superintedent and truant officers ..... \$2,397.79
Superintendents clerk ..... 563.84
Total control ..... \$2,961. 63
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION
Salaries, Supervisors, Tearchers:
High school and elementary ..... \$26,099.92
Textbooks, high school ..... 570.62
Textbooks, elementary ..... 1,425.51
Stationery and supplies, H. S. ..... 376.86
Stationery and supplies, elementary ..... 621.18
Total instruction\$29,095. 09
EXPENSES OF OPERATION
Wages of janitor, high school ..... \$1,300.00
Fuel, high school ..... 893.29
Miscellaneous ..... 845.43
Total ..... $\$ 3,038.72$
Wages of janitors, elementary ..... \$2,120.00
Fuel, elementary ..... 1,157. 64
Miscellaneous, elementary ..... 389.19
\$3,666.83
Total operating ..... $\$ 6,705.55$
Maintenance and repairs:
High school, including alterations ..... \$886.48
Elementary ..... 614.88
Total repairs ..... \$1,501.36
Health ..... 201.00
Transportation ..... 2,609.13
Outlays and unclassified ..... 913.91
Total expended ..... $\$ 43,987.67$
Balance ..... 12.33
Appropriation, 1927 ..... $\$ 44,000.00$
Supt. salary ..... \$2,000. 04
Supt. clerk hire ..... 563.84
Supt. travel expenses ..... 138.14
Total\$2,702.02
OFFICE EXPENSES AND ENFORCEMENT OF LAW
Michael Foley, census ..... $\$ 30.00$
W. B. Currier, stamps, etc. ..... 63.35
Emerson \& Co., rubber stamp ..... 2.05
Yawman \& Erbe, filing equipment ..... 13.44
Finney \& Hoit, paper, etc. ..... 8.33
Macmillan Co., books ..... 1.28
C. Smart \& Co., account and record books ..... 12.00
J. L. Hammett, office equipment ..... 17.48
School Service Co., office report blanks ..... 8.53
Wright \& Potter Printing Co., Curtis reports ..... 4.31
Allen Bros, Corporation, numbering stamp ..... 8.14
New Eng. Tel. \& Tele. Co., telephones ..... 90.70

\$259.61
$\$ 2,961.63$
Supervisors salary, music ..... $\$ 380.00$
Supervisors salary, drawing ..... 220.00
Total ..... $\$ 600.00$
Principal high school, salary ..... $\$ 1,500.00$
Teachers salary, high school ..... 9,906.00
Teachers salary, elementary ..... 14,093.92
Total
\$25,499. 92
Total salaries for instruction ..... \$26,099. 92
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION TEXT BOOKS (HIGH)
Ginn \& Company, high scool texts ..... \$118. 11
C. C. Birchard \& Co., music books ..... 29.54
Edward E. Babb, high school texts ..... 134.60
World Book Company, high school texts ..... 1.76
Longmans Green \& Co. ..... 40
C. Merrill Co., high school texts, English books ..... 28.39
Little Brown \& Co., high school texts ..... 48.11
The Macmillan Co., high school texts ..... 1.40
Houghton Mifflin, high school texts, Eng- lish books ..... 49.79
Allyn \& Bacon, high school texts, Eng- lish books ..... 96.92
Harcout Brace \& Co., high school texts ..... 1.44
Oxford Book Company, high school texts, ..... 2.80
The Century Company, high school texts, ..... 2.09
C. Cullinnane, trucking ..... 25
F. T. Welch, books, repairing ..... 24.40
American Book Company ..... 11.05
Rand McNally ..... 19.57
Total ..... $\$ 570.62$
TEXTS BOOKS-ELEMENTARY
J. B. Lippincott, elementary texts ..... 31.98
Ginn \& Co., music books, Geographies, etc ..... \$486.87
World Book Co. ..... 19.40
Scott Foresman Co.. reading books ..... 204.16
C. Pu Dutton \& Co. ..... 1.69
C. C. Birchard \& Co., music books ..... 8.24
American Book Co. ..... 16.72
D. C. Heath \& Co. ..... 334.11
John C. Winston ..... 24.77
C. Cullinnane ..... 25
Dura Binding Co., book repairs ..... 1.45
The Century Co. ..... 3.10
Edward Babb \& Co. ..... 4.83
Macmillan Co., reading books ..... 101.01
Silver Burdett Co., reading books ..... 172.74
F. T. Welch, books repaired ..... 6.50
Lyons \& Carnahan ..... 5.12
Warwick \& York ..... 1.70
Milton Bradley Co. ..... 1.87
\$1,997.13
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-HIGHVannah Lithograph Co., high school Sup-plies$\$ 25.00$
W. H. Claflin \& Co., high school supplies, ..... 7.00
J. L. Hammett \& Co., paper, pencils ..... 239.43
A. J. Wilkinson, office supplies ..... 7.70
John Pederson, express ..... 50
Acton Drug Co., high school supplies ..... 2.45
C. C. Birchard Co., music supplies ..... 2.65
Tracy Music Library, music supplies, grad- nation ..... 2.19
J. S. Moore, high school supplies ..... 16.80
W. M. Welch, chemistry supplies ..... 8.71
Ryan \& Buker, maps, etc. ..... 22.38
Edward E. Babb, high school supplies ..... 26.33
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., physics equip- ment ..... 11.52
Ginn \& Co., students maps ..... 4.20
Total high school ..... \$376.86
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-ELEM.
J. L. Hammett, paper, note books, pencils ..... \$376.17
Ryan \& Buker, students maps ..... 24.17
World Book Co., Arith. pads, etc. ..... 24.58
Benjamin Sanborn \& Co. ..... 9.51
Finney \& Hoit ..... 5.25
Yawman \& Erbe ..... 19.25
Milton Bradley Co., drawing supplies ..... 96.21
Edward W. Babb \& Co., primary supplies ..... 40.75
Laffin's Express ..... 1.00
Lyons \& Carnahan ..... 7.95
Scott Foresman \& Co., primary supplies ..... 4.98
Iroquois Publishing Co., primary supplies ..... 11.36
Total Elementary ..... \$621.18
Total stationery and supplies ..... $\$ 998.04$
Operating Expenses (High School)
Janitors, Fuel and Miscellaneous
Wages of janitor, high school ..... \$1,300.00
Fuelite Natural Gas Co. ..... 153.90
South Acton Woolen Co., coal ..... 424.37
John Pederson, trucking fuel ..... 43.00
Total$\$ 1,921.27$
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses (High)
A. W. Davis, janitor's supplies, tools, etc., ..... $\$ 88.78$
American Woolen Co., light ..... 147.94
American Woolen Co., power ..... 94.11
American Woolen Co., special deposit ..... 50.00
West and South Water district ..... 40.96
A. J. Wilkinson ..... 13.01
Masury Young \& Co., hand soap, floor oil, etc. ..... 69.50
Strong \& Tracy ..... 1.86
C. B. Dolge, janitor's soap and cleaning supplies ..... 11.00
J. L. Hammett, blackboard equipment, sup- plies, etc. ..... 175.00
Maydale Ginger Ale Co., distilled water batteries ..... 2.25
Commissioner of public safety, boiler in- spection ..... 500
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., repair of physics instruments ..... 9.75
C. W. Lawrance, refund on express and freight ..... 3.34
William Holt, plumbing repairs ..... 7.30
Fuelite Natural Gas Co., gas for labora- tories ..... 64.80
International Time Recording Co., clock and battery repair ..... 7.88
Acton Drug Co. ..... 3.60
Jordan Marsh C'o., graduation equipment, ..... 8.20
W. H. Claflin, paper towels, toilet paper ..... 39.65
J. S. Moore ..... 1.20
Finney \& Hoit ..... 30Total operating high school\$2,766.70
Operating Expenses, Elementary
Janitors, Fuel
Center (1) South (2) ..... West (3)
Janitors ..... $\$ 640.00 \quad \$ 760.00 \quad \$ 720.00$ ..... $\$ 640.00 \quad \$ 760.00 \quad \$ 720.00$
Fuel, coal, ..... $307.21 \quad 451.02$ ..... 157.16
Wood 80.75 ..... 80.75
\$1,027.96 \$1,291.77 ..... $\$ 957.91$
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses (Elementary)

|  | Center | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| American Radiator Co., flue brushes |  | \$ |  |
| American Woolen Co., light | 10.76 | 22.86 | 10.85 |
| West \& South Water District | 18.58 | 22.11 | 12.00 |
| Theron Newton, lawn mower |  | 3.00 |  |
| Masury Young, soap, floor oil, janitor's supplies | 21.75 | 41.75 | 21.75 |
| C. C. Cullinnane, express, freight, etc. | 2.00 | 2.00 | . 00 |

F. W. Green, cleaning vaults, West ..... 10.00
John Pederson, expressing sup- plies .....  80 ..... 90 ..... 80
Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 35
Chandler Barber Co. ..... 4.55 ..... 4.55
Carter's Furniture Co., piano tuning ..... 4.00
4.00 ..... 4.00
W. H. Claflin \& Co., paper towels, etc. $20.70 \quad 20.70$ ..... 39.65
A. W. Davis2.36
Kenney Bros. \& Wolkins, seat repairs 29.50 ..... 13.10
W. B. Holt ..... 3.30
Herbert Hale, storm windows, doors, etc. ..... 9.50
M. E. Taylor, supplies ..... 2.65
S. W. Perkins ..... 6.25
T. F. Newton, care of building during summer ..... 5.00
C. W. Lawrance, refund express and freight

1.11

1.11 ..... 1.12
J. L. Hammett, express fund ..... 25
.25 ..... 25
Thomas Scanlon, summer careof building5.00
Finney \& Hoit .....  90
\$126.20 \$131.84 ..... \$131. 15
Total ..... \$389.19
Summary Operating

| Totals | Center | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Janitors | \$640.00 | \$760.00 | \$720.00 |
| Coal | 307.21 | 451.02 | 157.16 |
| Wood | 80.75 | 80.75 | 80.75 |
| Miscellaneous | 126.20 | 131.84 | 131.15 |
| Totals | \$1,154.16 | \$1,323.61 | \$1,089.06 |
| Total ope |  |  | \$3,665.83 |

Maintenance and Repairs-High School
W. B. Holt ..... $\$ 58.54$
Burroughs Adding Machine Co. ..... 2.53
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 70
A. J. Wilkinson ..... 1.50
B. A. King ..... 97.00
Maynard Machine Shop ..... 2.35
O. P. Tucker ..... 3.00
L. T. Fullonton ..... 330.15
C. S. Smith ..... 328.86
.John Evans, Jr. ..... 12.00
E. J. Stanley ..... 6.95
Roy Jones ..... 42.90

$\$ 886.48$
Maintenance-Elementary
C. S. Smith ..... $\$ 13.25$
J. H. Bickford ..... 25.00
J. B. Wilson ..... 15.00
Herbert Hale ..... 2.00
L. 'T. Fullonton ..... 414.11
E. J. Stanley ..... 48.17
Clerk hire ..... 23.85
Roy Jones, clerk hire ..... 28.50
A. Fletcher ..... 45.00
$\$ 614.88$
Health
High School:
Ernest A. Mayell ..... $\$ 50.00$
Elementary:
Norman W. Fradd, posture manikins ..... 1.00
Ernest A. Mayell ..... 150.00
Total ..... $\$ 201.00$
Transportation
PRECINCT 1
Driver, Jesse Brigg's ..... $\$ 597.00$
Storage, Mrs. I. McGregor ..... 72.00
Gas and oil and repairs and replacement ment of chassis :
A. W. Davis, gas and oil, etc. ..... $\$ 59.81$
Maynard \& Acton Oil Co. ..... 95.23
Acton Motor Co., repairs ..... 75.93
Gately Motor Co. ..... 394.71
Registrar of motor vehicles ..... 2.00
$\$ 627.68$
Insurance, Paul Hederstedt ..... 175.97
Total ..... $\$ 1,472.65$

## PRECINCT 2

Drivers:
Carl Christofferson ..... $\$ 171.00$
Edwin Christofferson ..... 201.00
Paul Olsen ..... 222.00
Stuart McGregor ..... 3.00
$\$ 597.00$
Storage:
Allen Christofferson ..... $\$ 62.00$
Paul Olsen ..... 24.00
Gas, oil and repairs :
Carl Christofferson, repairs ..... \$ 6.00
O. Laffin ..... 14.71
Hewitt's Tire Shop ..... 83.30
Fletcher Corner Station ..... 92.85
Coughlin's Garage ..... 80.64
Insurance, Paul Hederstedt ..... $\$ 277.50$ ..... 175.98
\$1,136.48
Total transportation :
Precinct 1 ..... \$1,472. 65
Precinct 2 ..... 1,136.48
Total ..... \$2,609.13
Outlays
Labor on high school drain :
John Gognon, labor ..... $\$ 52.00$
Albert Wessel, labor ..... 52.75
Charles Monroe, labor ..... 38.25
A. H. Perkins, labor ..... 21.00
Tim Moynihan, labor ..... 22.00
Otto Geers, labor and blasting ..... 80.89
B. Perkins, Cr., supervision ..... 10.00
Ralph Jones, labor ..... 10.85
Raymond Perkins, labor ..... 5.00
Norman Perkins, labor ..... 5.00
George Penney, labor ..... 8.00
E. P. Gates, sharpening tools ..... 11.50
Alvin H. Fletcher, tile drain ..... 15.00
Total ..... \$332.24
W. 'T. Thayer ..... $\$ 25.00$
W. H. Claflin ..... 4.80
Ryan \& Buker, maps, history, H. S. ..... 17.40
J. L. Hammett, maps, gloves, miscellaneous ..... 161.70
Finney \& Hoit, electric iron ..... 6.97
Smith Finney, insurance ..... 365.80

\$581.67
Total ..... \$913.91
REPORT OF
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The School Committee, Town of Acton, Mass.

Ladies and Gentlemen-It is a pleasure and an honor to present my second annual report as superintendent of schools and the third as principal of the Acton high school. For convenience the two reports have been combined into one.

The work in the elementary schools and high school has been carried on. It has been possible to give more attention than before to the needs of the elementary grades. The elementary buildings had already been considerably improved outside and in, although they are still in far from first-class shape. The time is coming in the not-too-distant future when first one, then another, then possibly the third building will have to undergo thorough renovation, or more likely complete replacement. South school building is more worn out than the other two. There is a noticeable sag in the center of the building due to the settling of the center underpinning, with a corresponding displacement of the cross beams and its support. The building is still safe for use for the present, but will eventually have to be strengthened. The floors and stair treads of South and Center buildings are practically worn out. West building is in almost the same shape and will be in need of new floors in a very few years.

The heating systems of all three grade buildings are not economical to run. In each building there are two hot-air furnaces, and a steam heater to heat the corridors in severe weather. Each furnace heats only certain rooms, the other furnace heats the remaining rooms. One furnace cannot in any way be made to heat the whole building. On chilly days both furnaces have to be run to take the chill off the rooms, instead of just one.

If the ducts of these buildings could be altered without too great expense, so that one or both furnaces could heat the whole
building, greater economy in operating buildings would be possible. In South school the furnaces are still sound, but consume much more coal than the others, even with most economical running. It is believed that these furnaces are the original ones installed when the building was constructed. Both of the other buildings have been equipped with late types of hot-air furnaces and are much more economical to run. There will be continually mounting expense to maintain and operate these buildings.

Attention this year has been directed towards securing more uniform work in each subject taught in each grade in the different schools of the town. More text-books and other teaching paraphernalia, as maps, globes, and drill materials, have been provided. The teachers have cooperated wholeheartedly in meeting frequently to discuss their work in different subjects, comparing methods and achievements and planning new work. Two visiting days, one in the spring and one in the fall, have been especially beneficial; giving us a chance to see how others are doing the same kind of work, how our work may be improved and mistakes avoided. The oral and written reports of these visits are still a source of inspiration to the teachers and myself. Great credit must be given to the teachers for their fine spirit of cooperation and for the good work already done.

During the year a number of teachers resigned to go to other positions. From the high school, Miss Noyes, teacher of English ; Miss Bruce, of the commercial department, and Mr. Felt, teacher of modern language and history, have left. Miss Branley and Miss Gilligan, from the grade schools; Miss Willhauck, supervisor of music, have gone to other positions, and Miss Martha Smith retired after twenty-five years of faithful service to the town. Their places have been taken by Mr. Hough of Ayer, Miss Bixby of Woodville, Mr. Hood of Waltham, Miss Fernald of Arlington, Miss Merriam of South Acton, Miss Lovley of Springfield, and Miss Taylor of Littleton. All have carried on success. fully the work of their predecessors and are achieving worthwhile results.

A strong and stable teaching staff, one contented with their conditions and encouraged for their future, is essential to an organization effective over a number of years, helping the children of the town to develop through that long time from early childhood to maturity. The school committee has consistently followed the policy of "What do the schools need most, and how can we make the funds available most effective." This policy should by all means be continued and extended.

It is fitting that the retiring of a faithful teacher should be recorded and the achievement of a notable quarter-century be spread before her townspeople. To quote the words of a long associate:
"It was with a deep feeling of regret on the part of all concerned that we received Miss Martha F. Smith's decision to
retire from our teaching force in June, 1927. She taught for a short time in the district school at North Acton and in the neigh. boring towns before attending the Lowell Normal school and in the Model school of the Plymouth (N. H.) Normal school after graduation. Desiring to be at home, she accepted the position of teacher in the Center primary school in September, 1902, where she has given a faithful and devoted service for nearly a quarter-of-a-century. Many happy, eager little faces have looked into her's during that time. They loved their teacher and knew that she loved them and many lessons were learned that did not come from books. Some of those first children took an active part in the World war and many are living useful lives as citizens of this town and elsewhere. May she live many years in our midst to enjoy watching the development of those of the later years also."

During the year the school committee has brought the grade school equipment and work to a higher grade of efficiency. They have spent nearly three-fourths of the money budgeted for textbooks, for books in Grades I. to VIII., inclusive. These books include new readers, geographies, some arithmetic books, some language books, and music books.

The basic reading course started in 1926 has been added to, so that it is now almost complete in Grades I. to VI., inclusive. It is of a grade sufficiently stiff to require the pupil to "dig" to master the facts and problems presented with each lesson. At the same time they are graded to the abilities of the children with great care to develop their powers of oral reading, accurate observation, silent reading, memory, and composition, etc.

In the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, new geography texts have replaced the ones worn out, so that now every child has a new and up-to-date book. The instruction has been shaped to bring it more in line with the new Massachusetts standard course in geography being taught and developed throughout the great majority of the cities and towns of the state. Further revision and replacement of the text-book equipment in Grades III. to V'II. in arithmetic and history is needed.

The essential parts of a carefully graded series of music books have been purchased and are now in use in Grades II. to VIII., inclusive, with rote songs for Grade I. This series not only teaches the child to sing, but through systematic training of the voice and ear lays a foundation so that the child can learn to appreciate the finer types of music.

Work in domestic science was begun in February, 1927, under the instruction of Miss Edith Ames of Littleton, Mass., teaching classes in cooking, sewing, home planning and home management for girls of Grades VII., VIII., and IX., with one class of high school girls. A summary of her work appears elsewhere.

The reports of the supervisor of music, of drawing, and the school physician and school nurse appear at the end of this report.

During the year the town of Boxboro has sent thirteen students, and Carlisle one student to the Acton high school. They have entered fully and wholeheartedly into the studies and student life of the school and are taking positions of leadership. They are a most welcome addition to our school.

Very few parents realize the long special work now required to prepare students to go to college. Parents frequently demand of our high school teachers that their children shall take any high school course and yet, "be ready to go to college on graduation, if they want to." This is a misconception of the present position in which all high schools find themselves. Our New England colleges have not only steadily raised and stiffened the requirements for admission, but are even beginning to put on regional restrictions. A quarter-of-a-century ago, almost any bright, capable student could hope to enter the college of his or her choice, without "conditions," on one or two years of intensive preparation in high school after deciding at the end of the sophomore year to attend college. It is now absolutely impossible to complete a child's preparation for college in one or two years. Four successful years of intensive work in the college course is needed. It is of vital importance that parents and the high school teachers know, if possible, at the beginning of the freshman year, never later than the beginning of the sophomore year, whether the boy or girl has any possible intention of entering college or normal school and is capable of carrying college preparatory work.

There has also been a misconception of the grade of the Massachusetts Normal schools, that they are "easy" to enter for one who does not care to enter college. The requirements of the Normal schools have greatly stiffened and are approximately on the level of a majority of colleges, with an additional restriction of accepting students to their capacity in rotation only. At the present time there are many more graduates from our Normal schools than there are positions available for. This need not discourage the really bright, energetic, and capable girl from entering Normal school.

At present there are two courses, with variety of subjects, taught in the Acton high school. About one-third of the students are in the college course. The aim is to make the commercial course every bit as high grade as the college course. The courses at present given are:

COLLEGE COURSE
Freshman Year (25 hours) : Pts.
English IA .......... 5 English IB .......... 5
Algebra A ............ 5
5
World History to 17005
Gen'l Sci. and Biol. ... 5
Sophomore Year
(25 hours) :
English IIA .......... 5
Latin II ............... 5
Plane Geometry ...... 5
French I ............. 5
European Hist., 10001925

5

Junior Year (25 hours) :
English IIIA and B .. 5
Latin III ............. 5
French II ............ 5
Review Mathmatics .. 5
Chemistry (Physics) .. 5
(In alternate years)

COMMERCIAL COURSE
Pts.5
Arithmetic B ..... 5
Elems. Commerce and Industry ..... 5
World History to 1700 , ..... 5
Gen'l Sci. and Biol ..... 5
English IIB ..... 5
Bookkeeping I ..... 5
Typewriting 1 ..... 3
Steno. I ..... 5
Elect One:
French I ..... 5
European Hist. 1000 -19255
English III A and B ..... 5
Bookkeeping II ..... 5
Typewriting II ..... 3
Sten. II ..... 5
Elect One :
French II ..... 5European Hist. (ifnot already taken) 5
(Juniors may elect U. S. History if schedule permits) Senior Year ( 25 hours) :
English IV A and B .. 5 English IV A and B ..... 5
U. S. History and Civies U. S. Hist. and Civies, ..... 5
||French III $\dagger$ Office Practice ..... 5
*||Latin IV ............. 5 Economics and Com'l*||Trig. and Solid Geom., 5Law5
||Chemistry (Physics inalternate years)5
||Elect three subjects to complete requirements.
*Only if sufficient number $\dagger$ Two years of Steno. required. elect.

To be graduated from the Acton high school a student must receive credit in 76 subject-points. To be certified to any college the students must maintain an average of A or B throughout the year in the particular subject. The Acton high school enjoyed the Class A certifying privileges in 1927. These are given only-
for high grade of work and for one year at a time. A mark as low as a D is accepted for credit towards the high school diploma, but the student is barred from all dependent subjects until the D is raised to a C , either by examination or by repeating the subject. The subjects which require a C, or higher, to admit to dependent subjects are as follows:

C in Latin I. to be admitted to Latin II.
C in Latin II. to be admitted to Latin III. and IV.
C in French I. to be admitted to French II.
C in French II. to be admitted to French III.
C in Stenography I. to be admitted to Stenography II.
C in Stenography II. to be admitted to Stenography III.
C in Bookkeeping I. to be admitted to Bookkeeping II.
C in Bookkeeping II. to be admitted to Bookkeeping III.
Space is too limited in this report to give the outline of subject material and college entrance requirements for each of the subjects given above.

I wish again to express the appreciation of the teachers and students in the Acton high school to the various donors for the special donations of equipment which have made our work in the new building so much easier and brighter. The more they are used, the greater, we realize, are the benefits they give our students.

The Conant library, donated by members of the Conant family, is becoming a strong factor in the educational work of all the children in the high school building, from Grades VII.. through the high school. Care has been taken to allow as little duplication as possible of the books in the Wilde library, which the courtesy of the trustees and the librarian have made available to the high school. The books are selected for their special adaptability for the needs of high school-children. They may be divided roughly into two classes, according to their use: Special reference, and general reading. The reference books are to provide additional background material for subjects, as: Ancient history, medieval history, modern history, U. S. history, general science, physics, chemistry and biology. The general reading list includes the books most commonly called for in book reports, college exams and general information reading, and special reading requirements for English, economics and even the geography and commercial law. The general reading list is the one that needs developing most. It is the desire of the donors and the committee that as many yersons as feel that they can, do contribute books or in other ways to this library. One of the things most useful at present would be files, either complete or broken, of magazines, as : The National Geographic, World's Work, Literary Digest, and others that relate to geography, current events. The
library already contains over 400 general reading.books or history, and some very fine reference sets and encyclopedias, totaling over 250 volumes additional. All are in practically constant use.

In addition to the original donors, I wish to thank others, especially Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Mead, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hoar of West Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Brown, and Mr. Horace Tuttle of Acton Center, for their contributions of the past year.

Graduation exercises of the class of 1927 were very appropriate and colorful, marking a fitting recognition of the achievements of the class. Unfortunately the speaker of the evening. the Hon. John F. Fitzgerald, of Boston. Massachusetts, was unable to be present to give the address to the seniors, because of a severe cold which he was unable to overcome in time. The exercises were very interesting, using the simple features provided by the students and the orchestra.

## Graduation Exercises

Blanchard Hall, High School Building, June 10, 1927
Overture-"Bridal Rose" ................................ . . V. Lavalle
Entrance March—Selections from "Aida" .................. Verdi Invocation,

Rev. B. S. Batstone
Salutatory,
Miss Florence Clifford
Songs-_"O Sole Mio" ${ }^{\text {"Forget-Me-Not" . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Giese }}$
Address,

> By the Honorable John F. Fitzgerald, Ex-Mayor of Boston, Massachusetts

Songs-"The Dawn of Maytime" .................... . Von Flotow
"Royal Summer Comes Apace" ................. Gounoud
Class History,
Miss Marion Stoney
Song-"Olaf Trygavason'" ............................Edvard Grieg
Selection by Orchestra
Valedictory,
Miss Mary Wheeler
Presentation of Diplomas,
Mr. Spencer Taylor, Chairman of School Committee
Reception by Seniors .......................... Front of Auditorium Exit March

Class speakers, direction Miss Mabel Noyes. Vocal music, direction Miss Mary C. Willhauck. Orchestra direction, Mr. and Mrs. L. Ashley Rich.

It is interesting to note how the graduates of the Acton high school are entering on their life work. The majority are continuing their life work. The majority are continuing their education at college or schools, while the rest are taking up useful work at home or in industry.

## Class of 1926

Grace E. Chickering
Ruth B. Fullonton
Ethel O. Granberg
Marion Fobes
Alberta A. A. Hodgen
Arlene Jones
Dorothy Jones
Viola Merriam
Virgina Swift
Mildred Tuttle
Ruth VanWilkle
John Engman
John F. Enneguess
Charles B. Howe
Albert T. Grimes
Thomas Shea
'Sumner Teele
William D. Tuttle
Richard O'Neil

Ruth E. Costello
Florence H. Clifford
Doris F. Gardner
Emily N. Grala

- Inger Pederson

Althea R. Richardson
Arlene Striart
Marion Stoney
Mary L. Wheeler
Mary K. Wooten
George A. Braman
James N. Gates
Robert C. Holland
Lewis H. Whitney

At home
Burdett College
Burdett College
Burdett College
Mass. School of Art
Stenographer-Loose Wiles Biscuit Co., Boston
Clerk-Mercantile Agency, Boston, Mass.
Boston University
${ }^{\text {}}$ Middlesex Mutual Fire Insurance Co.
At home
At home
Bellows Stock Farm
Bentley's School of Accounting
Northeastern University
Hall Bros. Co.
Boston College
Hall Bros. Co.
Farming
Concord Garnet Mill

## Class of 1927

Library Bureau-Cambridge, Mass.
Chandler School
Laselle Seminary
Boston University-
At home
Twin Mutual Insurance Co.
New England Tel. \& Tel., West Acton
Boston University
At home
Post Graduate-Acton High School
Acton Drug Company
Lawrence Academy
Dartmouth College
Northeastern University.

In connection with the operating expenses of buildings, Mr. Thomas Scanlon of West Acton should be commended for his very economical use of fuel last year.

During the year the school committee voted to purchase a new bus chassis and have the old body mounted on it, rather than repair the chassis that had served through two hard years of use. While there is still some dissatisfaction with the present bus arrangements, the school committee is doing the very best it can with the equipment available. It feels that it can not very well make any more changes in arrangements until a third bus is provided.

A number of repairs and alterations have been necessary in the elementary and high school buildings.

It was necessary to install a heavy, sound-resisting partition between the two large front rooms, on the south side, of the high school building, to enable the teachers of grades VII and VIII in these rooms to hold their classes without interfering with each other. These rooms were orginally separated by a large folding partition, which would quickly convert them into one large room. In a great many cases, this is a big advantage to a school. To allow these doors to be moved without machinery, they had to be made comparatively light. As a result they were far from sound-proof. This made it exceedingly difficult to satisfactorily hold classes in these rooms. It happened literally again and again that a boy or girl reciting in a perfectly normal voice, near the partition, would be heard not only in his own room but couldn't help being heard in, and interfering with, the recitation or study in the adjoining room. To correct this serious situation a sound proof partition was built.

At the same time certain alterations had to be made to the desk and chair equipment in these and the adjoining rooms. To make them less noisy, and fastened firmly in rows.

At the annual meeting in 1926, the town voted and appropriated money to isure the high school building and contents, to be effective on the expiration of the building insurance which had been placed on the building by the building committee during construction. This renewed insurance expired November 1, 1927. Prior to the expiration, the school committee considered the matter of reinsurance. They felt that since the town had once specifically voted such protection to its property, the committee should not allow the insurance to lapse until the matter had been brought before the town at its annual meeting. It was voted to reinsure and pay the premium from the funds that would be avalaible at the end of the year, although no provision was made for this insurance premium in the 1927 operating budget. No provision whatever is made in the 1928 operating budget, for this purpose. Therefore the school committee requests that if it is the desire of the town that the insurance be continued, and the-
property protected against loss from fire, that a separate appropriation for this purpose be made.

During the year it was noticed that the effluent from the septic tank, which cares for the sewage from the west wing of the high school building, was not being taken care of in the ground. This was believed to be partly due to the very wet condition of the ground after the heavy and long rains of the Summer and Fall. It was hoped that the condition was temporary and would correct itself as the ground dried out. Conditions did not right themselves, consequently the school committee decided to dig a leaching drain from the tank towards the northwest corner of the school land. It was necessary to cut this drain through a considerable amount of ledge to get down to level which would drain the water off. The drain began to function just before the Christmas vacation, 1927, and appears to have corrected the trouble.

Frequently during the year the roof of the high school building has leaked, causing damage to the interior. While the roof is built of high grade standard materials, and covered by a gold bond of a big and reliable bonding company there is a technical point in the bond exempting the roofing company and its bondsman from leaks wherever the roofing material joins the metal flashing. It is exactly at these points that the leaks have occurred. Consequently it has been difficult to hold the builders and roofers responsible and get the work done so as to prevent a repitition of the leaks and damage. However, the committee is taking energetic steps and shortly should have the damage and roof repaired.

Purusuant to a vote of the town meeting in 1927, the selectmen, acting with the school committee expended the $\$ 2,000$ voted to develop the athletic field by the high school. A financial statement of this work appears elsewher in the Town Report.

Very fortunately Waldo Whitcomb of West Acton, who was already familiar with the character of the ground and the ledges, consested to direct the work. Through his planning the work has progressed to an astonisting point, when one considers the quantities, of rocks and rooty ground raised and removed, and the grading and levelling done. Funds gave out before he could blast and remove the ledge, or even complete the grading of the southeast corner of the lot. The students have provided equipment for two basketball courts on the finished part of the grounds at the rear of the building, which provide for a limited number of students only. The balance of the field is not yet usable for either baseball or football.

It is hoped that it can be used for major sports. It is desired to thank the town for the funds provided and Mr. Whitcomb for the work accomplished.

It is hoped that the town will appropriate sufficient funds to complete the field.

No school system can function efficiently without the willing co-operation of all supervisors and teachers, and janitors, whose care makes our work safe and comfortable. Few people realize the large number of hours that the school committee devotes every month to discussion and plans for school affairs. More than ever, these enterprises are the result of team work, on a large scale. Not only do I want to thank the teachers, each and all, past and present, but also the members of the Acton school committee for their work during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES W. LAWRANCE, Superintendent of Schools.

## REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Mr. C. W. Lawrance,
Superintendent of Schools :
Dear Sir :-
In the three grades of cooking that is grades VII, VIII and IX a general survey on all foods is being given, including meal planning, placing of each article cooked or made into a balanced menu and figuring of the costs of simple dishes. It is planned to use everything made to be served in some form on the Cafeteria table. Cleanliness and order are two main objects impressed.

The seventh grade has a lighter course and work their lessons out step by step on such foods as bread, cereals, fruits, eggs and milk dishes. It is difficult for them to understand meal planning until they have learned measurements and accuracy of following a recipe in a systematic way with the lesson given.

The eighth grade has more lessons on bread, cereals, fruits, milk, eggs, also soups, sauces, beverages and cheese. Each lesson includes, finding the cost of the food, arranging menus for different kinds of meals, and how the foods should be taken care of.

The ninth grade completed their cooking lessons on January 24th. Each lesson included meal planning, costs of ingredients and caloric values. More lessons were given on breads, cereals, fruits, eggs, milk, soups, sauces, plus vegetables, salads, meat, fish and deserts. Their cooking period came the two periods before the noon recess, so the class prepared the school luncheon and helped served.

In sewing the seventh grade has as a first project, and apron to be made by hand. This brings in the first plain stitches and seams. The use of the sewing machine is taught on their second project, a piece of underwear being made. Mending, darning,
making buttonholes and studying samples of cotton material and different types of seams are included in their course.

The eighth grade reviews all seams, stitches and buttonholes, makes two undergarments, a dress, does several kinds of mending, and remodels dresses. Each girl prepares a booklet showing styles best suited to her type and how to dress herself well and economically.

Instructions are given on how to oil and care for the machine and the use of the attachments.

The lunch room has the following report to make:
Total sales .............................. $\$ 1,727.75$
Cost of supplies
\$1,457.33
Replacements-New equipment and trans-
fer to Athletic Ass'n. ................ . 246.72
Cash on hand .............................. 23.70

Totals
\$1,727.75 \$1,727.75
Respectfully sudmitted,
EDITH AMES,
Instructor.

## REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. C. W. Lawrance,
Superintendent of Public Schools, Acton, Mass.:
Dear Sir :
At your request I herewith submit the following report concerning the music department of the Acton public schools.

Having had charge of this department for only about four months this report must necessarily be short.

The Music Education Series of Books has recently been adopted in the grade; this is one of the new song method series. containing a wealth of material which is very carefully graded.

In the first and second grades much time is being spent on voice placement and rhythm. The children who have poor tone perception learn to sing tunefully by listening to a model class of singers rather than by constantly singing off pitch themslves. The grade teachers are doing excellent work and are giving me fine co-operation.

The work at the Center school is much handicapped by lack of teaching force.

The Junior High school pupils are doing class work and much has already been accomplished.

The Senior High school chorus meets once each week and special attention is being given part singing.

Later a course of music appreciation will be introduced in all grades and high school. This is a very important phase in the public school music today, as a great majority of the boys and girls will be listeners in the future and not performers, therefore they should learn to listen intelligently to good music, for the further enrichment of their lives, if for no other purpose.

I wish to thank the school committee and superintendent for their hearty cooperation they have given me.

Respectfully submitted,
ETHEL LOVLEY,
Supervisor of Music..

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING:

Feb. 6, 1928.
Mr. C. W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.
Dear Sir:
As supervisor of drawing in the schools of Acton, Mass., I herewith submit my third annual report.

There are five real objectives that must be kept in mind in teaching drawing and these objectives are sometimes not comprehended by the pupils. This is the reason for impressing these objectives on the minds of the pupils at every possible opportunity.

These five objectives are, briefly :

1. The appreciation of the beautiful.
2. Reproduction with the individual touch.
3. The power of listening and observation.
4. Genuine creative effort.
5. Drawing as a universal language.

In some of our representation, scenes, figures, posters and interior decoration, we are accomplishing individual creative expression. In design we are overcoming disorder in balance and color. The construction work is simplified so as to "carry over" a great deal more than complicated work will.

Very few of the girls and boys will ever be accomplished artists, but they will all book back at the art teachings as having helped them to beautify or build up their homes, towns, or businesses.

I wish to heartily thank the superintendent and all of the teachers for their very kind assistance and loyalty.

Respectfully submitted,
JEANETTE C. LANDREVILLE.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Charles W. Lawrance,
Superintendent of Schools.
Dear Sir:I herewith submit my annual report as school physician.
Physical examinations were completed in November.
During October we had several cases of diphtheria in ActonCenter and it became necessary to take cultures of all the childrenin the Center school, and close the school for a week as a pre-cautionary measure.
We had two positive cases (carriers) and they were isolated and an epidemic avoided.
Our nurse deserves special commendation for her work during this time also the Board of Health for its cooperation.
The year as a whole has been a healthy one for our school children.
Details will be found in the nurses' report.
I wish to thank the superintendent, nurses and teachers for their hearty cooperation.

Respectfully submitted, E. A. MAYELL, M. D.

Feb. 6, 1928.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Report of school work from Jan. 1, 1927 to June 30, 1927.
Special examinations ..... 859
Clinic ..... 1
Individual instruction ..... 409
Simple dressings ..... 151
Contagious diseases ..... 36
Pupils excluded on acc. of con. diseases ..... 13
Home visits ..... 147
Sanitary inspection ..... 60
Hygiene talks ..... 42
Examinations by a dentist ..... 432
Dental defects found ..... 404
Cases of Pediculosis ..... 14
C'ases excluded on acc. of pediculosis ..... 12
Pediculosis corrected ..... 10
Home visits for pediculosis ..... 8
Hot cocoa introduced at Center school.
Milk introduced at West school.
Health day observed at Centre and West schools.Visits to Boxboro schools11

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Report of school nursing from Sept. 1, 1927, to Jan. 1, 1928 :
No. of children enrolled . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 479

No. of children examined ...................................... . . . 461
Defects found-Tonsils and adenoids ...................... . 79
Lungs needing special care ................................. 4
Thyroid . ........................................................ . . 132
Gland-Anterior and posterior cervical ................... 158
Heart ...................................................... . . . . . . . . . 70
Posture--Very poor .......................................... . . . 101
Teeth-Very poor ............................................ 191
Eyes .................................................................. . . . . . . . 34
Ear .................................................................. . . 3
Notices sent for eyes ......................................... 34
Excluded for sore throats ...................................... . . . 20
Corrections for eyes made .................................... . 6
No child should be sent to school with a sore throat.
Communicable diseases ......................................... 9
Simple dressings ................................................ . . 52
Children taken home ill ...................................... . . 30
Home visits for corrections and contagion .............. 120
Sanitary inspections ........................................ . 64
Individual instruction in personal hygiene ................ 42
Class room talks on hygiene and posture ................. 22
Individual inspections of children .......................... 1,833
Visits to Boxboro ................................................. 7
Lighting and sanitation at the South school could be greatly improved and should be for the good of the children. The conditions existing there are not conducive to good health.

Much work is needed in all the schools in posture and physical education.

Because of three consecutive cases of diphtheria, with no apparent connections with each other, the entire Center school was cultured. A carrier located, quarantined and immunized, I would like to suggest, here, all children previously immunized should be reshicked to determine if they are still immune.

It may be determined by a simple skin test called the Shick test, whether or not a child is susceptible to diptheria. A child is schicked to find out if he is susceptible to diphtheria. If he re-acts, he should be immunized. Then six months to one year later, he should be re-schicked to determine, if he is immune or still susceptible. If he is still susceptible, he should then be immunized again. Ninety-five per cent of all children between the
ages of six months and ten years are susceptible to diphtheria. Eighty per cent of this number can be made immune by the first three innoculations. If protection can be had so easily and without cost to you, why not give yourself and your child this protection?

Respectfully submitted,
LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## Boys and Girls of Acton Schools, Membership by Age and Grade, October 1, 1927

| Grade | 56 |  | 89 | 910 | 011 |  | 13 | 14 | 15 |  | 17 |  |  | Totals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1223 | 6 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 43 |
| 2 |  | 7 | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 49 |
| 3 |  | 82 | 211 | 13 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 43 |
| 4 |  |  | 517 | 75 | 53 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 33 |
| 5 |  |  |  | 417 | 713 | 2 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 37 |
| 6 |  |  |  | 110 | 015 | 8 | 7 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  | 42 |
| 7 |  |  |  |  | 111 | 18 | 9 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  | 47 |
| 8 |  |  |  |  | 2 | 4 |  | 13 |  |  |  |  |  | 38 |
| 9 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 15 | 13 | 3 | 1 |  |  | 42 |
| 10 |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |  | 10 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 2 |  | 33 |
| 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 1 |  | 28 |
| 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 27 |

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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1928

MODERATORAllen Brooks Parker
SELECTMEN
Howard J. Billings Term expires 1929
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1930
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1931
TOWN CLERK
Horace F. Tuttle
TOWN TREASURER
Frank W. Hoit
ASSESSORS
Arthur W. Emerson Term expires 1929
Henry L. Haynes ..... Term expires 1930
Warren H. Jones ..... Term expires 1931
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Howard J. Billings Term expires 1929
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1929
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1929
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles A. Durkee
TREE WARDEN
James O'Neil
CONSTABLES
Michael Foley
John T. McNiff
Alan B. Frost
Charles A. Durkee
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Fred W. Green Term expires 1929
Wendell F. DavisHorace F. Tuttle
Term expires ..... 1931

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Spencer H. Taylor Term expires ..... 1929
Lulu L. Clark Term expires ..... 1929
Alice M. Carlisle Term expires. 1930
Frank Toohey Term expires ..... 1930
Louisa N. Wood ..... Term expires 1931
Edgar H. Hall Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL LIBRARY
J. Sidney White Term expires 1929
Lucius A. Hesselton ..... Term expires 1930
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires 1931
BOARD OF HEALTH
Raymond F. Durkee Term expires 1929
Frank E. Tasker ..... Term expires 1930
George H. Tuttle Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND
Warren H. Jones ..... Term expires 1929
Waldo E. Whitcomb ..... Term expires 1930
William H. Kingsley Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF THE WEST ACTON FIREMAN`S RELIEF FUND
C. D. Cram ..... Term expires 1929
Edgar H. Hall ..... Term expires 1930
A. N. Hederstedt Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF GOODNOW FUND
Charles E. Smith Term expires 1929
Charlotte ConantHorace F. Tuttle
Term expires 1931
Appointments by the Selectmen
FINANCE COMMITTEEWilliam Rawitser, George A. Richardson, Webster S. Blanchard
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS Albert H. Perkins
TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Howard L. Jones
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Charles J. Holton Term expires 1929
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. Term expires 1930
Edwin A. Phalen Term expires 1931
Horace F. Tuttle, ex-officio
ELECTION OFFICERS
Precinct 1
Warden James W. Coughlin
Deputy Warden George A. Murphy
Clerk Arthur W. Wayne
Deputy Clerk Spencer H. Taylor
Inspector Arthur F. Davis
Deputy Inspector Willis L. Holden
Inspector Leo F. McCarthy
Deputy Inspector Harold Coughlin
Precinct 2
Warden Lucius A. Hesselton
Deputy Warden Theron F. Newton
C'lerk John J. Manning
Deputy Clerk Thomas Murray
Inspector Lewis C. Hastings
Deputy Inspector Frank A. Merriam
InspectorTimothy Hennessey
Deputy Inspector James Brown
Precinct 3
Warden Bertram D. Hall
Deputy Warden Fred S. Whitcomb
Clerk David R. Kinsley
Deputy Clerk Frank McDonald
Inspector ..... A. R. Beach
Deputy Inspector Harry Holt
Inspector James Kinsley
Deputy Inspector Guy P. Littlefield
CATTLE INSPECTOR
Fred S. Whitcomb
FIRE ENGINEERSFrank W. Hoit, Chief
AsSISTANT ENGINEERS
Precinct 1
Alan B. FrostJohn J. Manning
Precinct 3
Alfred W. Davis

# 6 <br> FOREST WARDEN <br> Alan B. Frost <br> SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK <br> James 0 'Neil <br> POLICE OFFICERS <br> Chief, Michael J. Foley <br> John T. McNiff <br> DIRECTOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE <br> Charles B. Willett 

## Jury List

Revised 1928
Precinct 1
Arthur Emerson
David Morrison
Albert P. Durkee
Frank E. Parsons
Spencer H. Taylor

Edward F. Nealey
Theron A. Lowden
Charles Miles
Herbert A. Thayer
Clarence Chickering
Precinct 2
Edward M. Little James W. Coughlin
George S. Tucker
Samuel E. Knowltons
L. Edward Laird

Patrick J. Foley
Carl Flint
James Brown

Precinct 3
Allen B. Parker
David R. Kinsley
William Johnson
Henry L. Haynes
Howard C. Tracy
James E. Kinsley
James A. Grimes
G. Howard Reed

John T. McNiff
William J. Benere

## TOWN WARRANT

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.


To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1-Town Hall in said Acton.
Precinct 2-Universalist Church, South Acton.
Precinct 3-Fire House, West Acton.
At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1929, by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said fourth day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three
for department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall in said Acton, on Monday, March 11th, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon. Then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gypsy moth.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will
appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1929, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex county trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 , Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to instal three (3) additional street lights on Central street in South Acton, between Martin street and the residence of Sidney Richardson, or act anything thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to condition Martin street from Maple street to Stow road, by re-surfacing, grading and coating with tarvia, supplying new catch basins and culverts where necessary for complete drainage, or act anything thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to erect a light pole, twenty feet or thereabouts, north of the bridge crossing the stream on Martin street and on the east side of above street, and maintain a light on said pole, or act anything thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the board of health to arrange to keep open for not more than two days in each week, the public dump in precinct one, or act anything thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$, to be used, or any part of it, to grade the now abandoned dump in precinct one, opposite the cemetery, or act anything thereon.

Article 20. To see what amount of money the fown will raise and appropriate, to repair Harris street in the northerly part of the town.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the unexpended balance of $\$ 655.95$ from the surplus war bonus fund to fix up the Common at Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Article 22. To see what action the town will take with regard to electric street lighting.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$ to continue the re-construction of Laws Brook road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$ to continue the re-construction of School street from its intersection with Laws Brook road to the State highway, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ( $\$ 1,000$ ) to gravel Arlington street from Elm street, going east.

Article 26. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,000$ for the purpose of re-building the road extending from Fletcher corner to the Maynard line, or act anything thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair Summer street from Willow street to the Boxboro line.

Article 28. To see what action the town will take with regard to the purchase of new road machinery.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to accept the ladder truck which has been constructed by the members of the South Acton fire department, said truck to be a part of the fire fighting equipment of the town of Acton, but to be housed at the South Acton Fire House, in charge of the South Acton fire department.

Article 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$ to continue the re-construction of Nashoba road.

Article 31. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$ for town forest work.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to lay out and build a road from Massachusetts avenue, West Acton, to the driveway leading to Mr. Orla Nichol's house, following the line of the abandoned electric car road, or act anything thereon.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ for the purpose of macadamizing

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Stow street from the Main street bridge to the lumber-yard, or act anything thereon.

Article 34. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light, at or near the houses of A. C. Jones, E. H. Hall, Jr., and B. E. Hall, on Arlington street.

Article 35. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light near the high school building, at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and the Cutler road, so-called.

Article 36. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to grade the west corner of the Cutler road. so-called, where it enters Massachusetts avenue.

Article 37. To see if the town will re-appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,500$ from cash on hand in the treasury for the purpose of re-constructing the Nagog Hill road from the Littleton line to Acton Center, and instruct the selectmen to obtain an allotment from the County of Middlesex on this project if possible, or act anything thereon.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the unused gravel-pit, located on the State road, about one mile north of East Acton village.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to develop the high school athletic field, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this sixth day of February, 1929.

> HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITCOMB, WENDELL F. DAVIS,

Selectmen of Acton.

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

We herewith submit for your approval the reports of the various departments of the town, for the year ending December 31, 1928 :

Acting under Article 16 the selectmen have sold the old fire. house in South Acton at public auction, and the building has been removed.

Under Article 25 of the 1927 warrant the work of widening Kelley's Corner has been completed.

Under Article 29 the selectmen appointed a committee to act with them in studying the electric street lighting problem. The report of this committee will be found elsewhere in this town report.

Under Article 32, we have finally succeeded in having the wooden fence on the west side of the R. R. bridge at South Acton replaced by a wire fence, and the selectmen have decided to replace the wooden fence on Stow street with a wire fence as soon as possible.

The new bridge on Laws Brook road has been completed, but owing to the fact that the state did not let this contract until very late in the year, it was not possible to finish an additional section of this road. The money which was left after the completion of the bridge was expended in drainage and in graveling a considerable section of the road. An additional appropriation of $\$ 1500$ by the town will be necessary to complete this project to the Concord line.

An appropriation of $\$ 1500$ was made to re-build a section of the Nagog Hill road, contingent upon the state and county contributing a like amount. The state refused to enter into this project; consequently, the money was not expended.

In carrying out the expenditure of the appropriation for the general maintenance of roads, under Article 4, we have endeavored to give special attention to the roads named in Arti cles $18,19,20,26$ and 31 so far as possible. It must be borne in mind, however, that money expended under this appropriation is largely spent under the direction of the Department of Public Works.

The financial condition of the town is improving each year, and we urge upon every citizen the necessity of carefully studying the reports of the treasurer and town accountant, as well as that of the finance committee, in order that we may co-operate in keeping our tax rate at a reasonable level.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITCOMB, WENDALL F. DAVIS.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births
Whole number recorded ..... 42
Born in Acton 15 Native parentage ..... 26
Males 21 Foreign parentage ..... 5
Females 21 Mixed parentage ..... 11
Marriages
Whole number recorded ..... 32
Residents of Acton 41 Residents of other places, ..... 23
Deaths
Whole number recorded ..... 35
Residents of Acton 35 Residents of other places, ..... 0
Occurring in Acton 20 Occurring in other places, ..... 15
Average age in years, 66 plus.

The town clerk requests information of any errors, or omissions in the list of births, marriages and deaths.

The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish blanks for the return of births and deaths.

> HORACE F. TUTTLE, Town Clerk.

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## Deaths Registered in 1928

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1. Oct. 23. Adams, Daniel Henry ..... 826 ..... 3
2. Sept. 19. Allen, Benjamin Franklin ..... 65 ..... $9 \quad 3$
3. Mar. 16. Armes, William A. ..... 50 ..... $7 \quad 10$
4. Dec. 14. Banks, Frank Martin ..... 57 ..... 30
5. Apr. 29. Bedford, Alfred ..... 70 ..... $4 \quad 10$
6. June 26. Brown, Caroline Lamson ..... 18
7. June 4. Daniels, Gertrude C. ..... 668. Apr. 10. Fletcher, Belle Cora5312
8. May 28. Foley, Johanna M. ..... 66
9. Dec. 30. Hanscom, Walter ..... 62
10. Jan. 13. Harrod, William Judson ..... 66 ..... $4 \quad 18$
11. Nov. 25. Hayward, Edwin L. ..... 78
12. Aug. 21. Hosmer, Susan Harriet ..... 80 ..... $9 \quad 24$
13. Aug. 29. Jones, William S. ..... 89 ..... 12
14. Aug. 15. Livermore, Hiram Brooks ..... 88 ..... 1 ..... 28
15. Oct. 29. Livermore, Laura Esther ..... 11 ..... 1317. Dec. 3. Merley, Letitia D.
16. Dec. 31. Merriam, Harriet E. ..... 1973$8 \quad 26$
17. Apr. 27. McCarthy, John ..... 67 ..... 10
18. Jan. 1. McGreen, Estella Augusta ..... 22
19. Apr. 18. Morse, Harry Burton ..... 44 ..... $2 \quad 2$
20. Oct. 4. Pratt, Mary Bibber ..... 89 ..... 10
21. Oct. 26. Reed, Helen Maria
22. Dec. 15. Rines, Mary Ann ..... 76
23. Dec. 19. Scanlon, Thomas ..... 77
24. Dec. 9. Stevens, Mary C ..... 88
25. Jan. 7. Swanson, Helen ..... 25
26. Aug. 21. Tully, Joseph C. ..... 58
27. Dec. 11. Van Lul, Elise ..... 61
28. Nov. 9. Waterbury, Edgar Gordon ..... 70
29. Jan. 18. Webster, Everett H. ..... 20
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## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting, Held March 12, 1928

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.

Chose, Horace F. Tuttle, trustee of the Goodnow fund, for three years.

Chose, A. N. Hederstedt, trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief fund, for three years.

Chose, William H. Kingsley, trustee of the Elizabeth White fund, for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at five-eighths of one percent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members, one hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be ten dollars permeeting.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the board of public welfare be seventy-five dollars per annum; and the other members, forty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be five hundred and fifty dollars, in the aggregate, per annum to be apportioned as they may determine, and fifty dollars for the salary of a clerk.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers.
Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Mr. Murray Brown presented an itemized report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for the observance of Memorial day, which report was accepted.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Unider this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to raise and appropriate for:
Roads, general maintenance ..... \$10,000.00
Laws Brook road ..... 3,000.00
Nagog Hill road ..... 1,500.00
Snow removal ..... 1,000.00
Schools ..... 44,000.00
Bonds, payment of, high school and others ..... 16,250.00
Interest on bonds ..... 3,197.35
Interest on revenue loans ..... 2,600.00
Street lighting ..... 5,000.00
Memorial library, current expenses ..... 800.00
Memorial library, books ..... 200.00
Memorial library, repairs ..... 100.00
Mydrant service ..... 2,984.00
Fire department, maintenance ..... 1,200.00
Fire department, new hose ..... 350.00
Fire department, forest fires ..... 500.00
General government ..... 4,600.00
Treasurer's and collector's bonds ..... 270.00
Buildings and grounds ..... 800.00
Liability insurance ..... 500.00
Cemeteries ..... 1,000.00
Cemeteries, lowering device ..... 180.00
Moth work ..... 1,269.39
Memorial day ..... 300.00
Military aid ..... 100.00
State aid ..... 300.00
Police department ..... 1,200.00
Board of health ..... 1,300.00
Reserve fund ..... 1,000.00
Unclassified ..... 500.00
Demonstration work in agriculture ..... 300.00
Public welfare department ..... 1,500.00
Town nurse ..... 2,200.00
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Voted: To instruct the assessors to deduct from the amount required to be assessed the current year, $\$ 10,000$ on account of surplus revenue and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town, except from loans and taxes.
Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.
Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars.
Voted: That the chairman of the selectmen, the commander of Isaac Davis Post and the commander of the American Legion be a committee to expend this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day.
Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.
Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not
later than October 15, 1928, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1, 1928, interest shall be charged at the rate of six percent per annum from October 15, 1928, until such taxes are paid.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 1200$ for maintenance and $\$ 350$ for new hose.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix the price thereon.

Voted: To raise five hundred dollars and that the price perhour be fixed by the forest warden.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward thesuppression of the brown-tail and gypsy moth.

Voted: To raise $\$ 1,269.39$ for moth work.
Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employes of the town, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.
Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate two hundred and seventy dollars.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1928, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1928, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to have the sidewalks in the three villages plowed of snow and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Article 14. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Voted: To employ a public health nurse, to be employed and serve under the direction of a joint committee, consisting of the board of health and three members of the school committee; the school committee to choose the three members from its committee.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 2,200$ for the maintenance of said nurse.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars or some other amount, and elect a director; the money to be expended by and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars.
Article 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the old fire house in South Acton, together with any unused fire department equipment, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to sell at auction the building and such unused equipment as the fire chief may - approve.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 180$ for a lowering device for the use of the acemetery department.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 180$.
Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$, to make necessary repairs on Estabrook road in East Acton, or act anything thereon.

Acting under Articles 4, 18, 19, 20, 26 and 31 jointly, it was voted to raise for general maintenance of roads and for special work on roads, named in Articles 18, 19, 20, 26 and 31, the sum of $\$ 10,000$; to be expended under the direction of the selectmen.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$, for special repairs on High street in South Acton, between Fletcher corner and the Powder Mill dam.

See action under Article 18.
Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$, for special repairs on Stow street from its intersection with Maple street to the Main street bridge, or act anything thereon.

Action recorded under Article 18.
Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars to re-build the bridge on Laws Brook road and continue the re-construction of this road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the : State Department of Public Works, and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to re-build the bridge on Laws Brook road, and continue the re-construction of this road to the Concord line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of the steam road roller, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the disposition of the steam roller be left with .the selectmen to act in their discretion.The Committee on Finance makes the following recommendations relatingto appropriations:
Article 4. Roads, General Maintenance ..... \$10,000.00
Schools ..... 45,000.00
Street Lighting ..... 5,000.00
Memorial Library ..... 800.00
Books ..... 200.00
Hydrant Service ..... 2,984.00
General Government ..... 5,000.00
Buildings and Grounds ..... 800.00
Cemeteries ..... 1,000.00
Military Aid ..... 200.00
State Aid ..... 300.00
Soldiers' Relief ..... 300.00
Police Department ..... 1,200.00
Board of Health ..... 1,000.00
Public Welfare ..... 2,500.00
Snow Removal ..... $1,000.00$
Care of Shade Trees ..... 500.00
Reserve Fund ..... 1,200.00
Unclassified ..... 500.00
Bonds (High School and others ..... 9,600.00
Interest on Bonds and Notes ..... 2,580.00
Interest on Revenue Loans ..... 2,600.00
Article 5. Memorial Day ..... 300.00
Article 7. Fire Department-Maintenance ..... 1,300.00
New Hose ..... 250.00
Forest Fires ..... 500.00
Article 9. Gypsy Moth Work ..... $1,250.00$
Article 10. Liability Insurance ..... 500.00
Article 11. Treasurer's and Collector's Bonds. ..... 270.00
Article 13. Public Health Nurse ..... 2, 200.00
Article 14. Demonstration Work (Agriculture) ..... 300.00
Article 15, 17, 34. The Committee advises no extension of street lights. Article 19. Filling and Grading Dump. ..... 300.00
Article 20. Harris Street ..... 500.00
Article 21. Common (Acton Center) not to be raised ..... 655.95
Article 23. Laws Brook Road ..... $1,500.00$
Article 24. School Street ..... $1,500.00$
Article 25. Arlington Street ..... 500.00
Article 26. Fletcher Corner ..... 500.00
Article 28. Road Machinery (Gasoline Roller) ..... 5,000.00
Article 30. Nashoba Road ..... 500.00
Article 36. ..... 100.00
Article 37. Nagog Hill Road ..... 500.00
Article 39. High School Athletic Field. ..... 2,000.00
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William Rawitser, Alfred W. Davis, <br>

Frank W. Hoit, \& Gbo. A. Richardson,\end{array}\right\}\)| Finance |
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Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,800$, for the purpose of installing a fire alarm signal in each of the three precincts, or making necessary repairs to present equipment if deemed advisable to do so, or act anything thereon.

A motion to appropriate the sum of $\$ 1800$ to install a fire alarm signal in each precinct did not prevail.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$, to develop the high school athletic field, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Article 25. To see if the town will vote to re-insure the high school building and its contents on the expiration of its present policies, November 1, 1928, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for such insurance, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To insure the high school building and its contents for $\$ 75,000$, for the term of three years and to raise a sum of money sufficient to pay the same.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars to repair and oil Church street in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Action recorded under Article 18.
Article 27. To see if the town will extend the street lights. in North Acton along the Lowell road from the end of the present line to the railroad crossing, known as Gallagher's crossing, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Article 28. To see if the town will vote to maintain a street light on Arlington street in West Acton, near the residences of A. C. Jones, E. Henry Hall Jr., and Bertram E. Hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Article 29. To see if the town will vote to athorize theselectmen to renew the electric lighting contract with the American Woolen Company, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to make a new contract for electric street lighting for the best advantage of the town. Also, that the selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of three, one from each precinct, to assist them in the investigation of such new contract and that the sum of $\$ 150$ be appropriated to cover any necessary expense incurred.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for nine band concerts to be given by the Acton Cadet band, three each in the villages of South, West and Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to gravel Arlington
street in West Acton, starting at Elm street and continuing in an easterly direction or act anything thereon.

Action recorded under Article 18.
Article 32 A . To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to rebuild Nagog Hill road from Littleton line to Acton Center, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to rebuild Nagog Hill road from Littleton line to Acton Center provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.

Article 32B. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to confer with the officials of the Boston \& Maine Railroad and see if something cannot be done to replace the high wooden fence on the west side of the railroad bridge at South Acton with a lower metal or wire fence, and to reduce the height of the wooden fence on the northerly side of Maple street.

Voted to instruct the selectmen to confer with the officials of the Boston \& Maine Railroad and obtain if possible the objects specified in the article.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to purchase a road scraper for the road department or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Mr. James B. Tuttle made some remarks as a member of the finance committee at the conclusion of which the meeting gave him a unanimous vote of thanks for his service as a member of the finance committee for many years.

During the meeting the following resolution was presented and unanimously passed.

Resolved: That we extend a vote of thanks to Mr. Murray Brown for the faithful and invaluable service he has given to the town of Acton during his term of office as selectman.

## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Special Town Meeting

## Held November 7, 1928

Article 1. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of shade trees or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927 the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars.

Article 2. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for soldiers relief or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927 the sum of three hundred dollars.

Article 3. To see if the town will appropriate an additional sum of money for the use of the department of public welfare.

Voted: To appropriate from the surplus revenue of 1927 the sum of three hundred dollars.

Article 4. To see whether the town will authorize the school committee to sell the two school busses.

Voted: To authorize the school committee to sell the two school busses.

Article 5. To determine whether the town will appropriate the money received from the sale of the two school busses to the use of the school committee.

Voted: To appropriate the money received from the sale of the school busses to the use of the school committee.

Article 6. To determine whether the town will adopt the following by-law :-

Section 1. Article 6. The school committee shall have the power to sell personal property of the town relating to the school department or give such personal property in full or partial payment for services rendered or goods received provided that the value of the property involved in a single transaction shall not exceed five hundred dollars.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Article 7. To determine whether the town shall authorize the school committee to dispose of by sale or otherwise, the outbuildings at the Acton Center school.

Voted: That the school committee be authorized to dispose of, by sale or otherwise, the outbuildings at the Acton Center school.

Article 8. To determine whether the town will authorize the appointment of a committee which shall have the power to determine the compensation to be paid to the children or to the parents of the children injured in the accident to the school bus in South Acton and to petition the legislature to authorize the payment of such compensation.

Voted: That the matter be referred to the selectmen and school committee, with instructions to employ counsel, to inquire into all matters relating to claims and liability on account of the accident to the school bus at South Acton, April 27, 1928, and to report with their recommendations at the next annual Town meeting.

## STATE ELECTION, NOVEMBER 6, 1928

Party designations: D, Democrat; S. L., Socialist Labor; W. P., Workers Party; S., Socialist; R., Republican. Whole number of ballots cast- 1147 .

## President and Vice President

Pct. 1 Pct. 2 Pct. 3 T't'I

| Foster and Gitlow, W. P. | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hoover and Curtis, R. | 252 | 317 | 332 | 1 |
| Reynolds and Crowley, S. L. | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |


| Smith and Robinson, | 46 | 119 | 58 | 223 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Thomas and Maurer, S. | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Blanks | 7 | 8 | 3 | 18 |
| Governor |  |  |  |  |
| Frank G. Allen, R. | 236 | 288 | 316 | 840 |
| Chester W. Bixby, W. P. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Charles H. Cole, D. | 56 | 128 | 61 | 245 |
| Washington Cook, V. P. E. | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Mray Donovan Hapgood, S. P. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Edith Hamilton MacFadden, I. C. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen J. Surridge, S. L. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blanks | 12 | 27 | 20 | 59 |
| Lieutenant Governor |  |  |  |  |
| John Corbin, W. P. | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Henry C. Hess, S. L. P. | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |
| Walter S. Hutchins, S. P. | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| John F. Malley, D. | 37 | 121 | 44 | 202 |
| William S. Youngman, R. | 235 | 288 | 315 | 838 |
| Blanks | 31 | 34 | 36 | 101 |
| Secretary |  |  |  |  |
| Harry J. Canter, W. P. | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Frederick W. Cook, R. | 233 | 289 | 302 | 824 |
| Oscar Kinsalas, S. L. P. | 1 | 1 | , | 2 |
| Joseph Santosuosso, D. | 32 | 98 | 43 | 173 |
| Edith M. Williams, S. | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Blanks | 38 | 55 | 52 | 145 |
| Treasurer |  |  |  |  |
| James P. Bergin, D. | 36 | 102 | 45 | 183 |
| Albert Sprague Coolidge, S. | 1 | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| John W. Haigis, R. | 228 | 288 | 300 | 816 |
| Albert Oddie, W. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Charles S. Oram | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Blanks | 40 | 50 | 51 | 141 |

## Auditor

John W. Aiken, S. L. .................. . 1
Alonzo B. Cook, R ..... 223
David A. Eisenberg, S. ..... 1
Eva Hoffman, W. ..... 4
Frances J. O'Gorman, D. ..... 37
Blanks ..... 40
Attorney General
Edward P. Barry, D. ..... 40
Morris I. Becker, S. L.
Max Lerner, W.
John Weaver Sherman, S.
Joseph E. Warner, R. ..... 239
Blanks ..... 25 ..... 289028923
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## Senator in Congress

John J. Ballam, W. ..... 200 ..... 2
Alfred Baker Lewis, S. ................. 2 ..... 01 ..... 3
David I. Walsh, D. ..... $150 \quad 84$ ..... 297
Benjamin Loring Young, R. ..... $254 \quad 287$ ..... 764
Blanks ..... 16
$40 \quad 25$ ..... 81
Congressman
Cornelius F. Cronin, D. ..... $37 \quad 84 \quad 40$ ..... 161
Edith Nourse Rogers, R. ..... 242 ..... 306306 ..... 854Blanks$27 \quad 54 \quad 51$132
Councillor
Esther M. Andrews, R. ..... $227 \quad 267$ ..... $276 \quad 770$
Henry W. Brett, D. ..... $44 \quad 95$ ..... 42 ..... 181
Blanks ..... $35 \quad 82$ ..... 79 ..... 196
Senator
Paul A. Mogan, D. ..... $37 \quad 97$ ..... $41 \quad 175$
George G. Moyse, R. ..... 232 ..... 271293 ..... 796
Blanks 37 ..... 76 ..... 63 ..... 176
Representative in General Court
$242 \quad 296$$292 \quad 830$
Blanks ..... $6 \pm 148 \quad 105$ ..... 317
County Commissioners
Nathaniel I. Bowditch, R. ..... $215 \quad 249$ ..... 252 ..... 716
George L. Colson, D. ..... $88 \quad 37$ ..... 153
Daniel F. McBride, D. ..... 2585 ..... 30140
Walter C. Wardwell, R. ..... 195221233 ..... 650
Blanks ..... $35 \quad 245 \quad 54$ ..... 423
Clerk of Courts
John D. Medeiros, D. ..... $27 \quad 85 \quad 37$ ..... 49
Ralph N. Smith, R. ..... 223 253 ..... 269 ..... 745
Blanks 56106 ..... 91 ..... 255
Register of Deeds
John C. Kelleher, D. ..... 31 ..... $80 \quad 36$ ..... 147
Thomas Leighton, R. ..... $254 \quad 270$ ..... 748
Blanks ..... $51 \quad 110 \quad 91$ ..... 252
Associate Commissioner
Melvin G. Rogers, R. ..... $233 \quad 266$ ..... 271 ..... 770
Blanks 73 ..... $178 \quad 126$ ..... 377
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No ..... $151 \quad 166 \quad 186$ ..... 503
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No $150 \quad 171 \quad 196$ ..... 517
Blanks ..... $\begin{array}{ll}69 & 132\end{array} 98$ ..... 299

# Vote for Representative 11th Middlesex District November 6, 1928 

| Edward |  | Blanks | Totals |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Acton | 830 | 317 | 1147 |
| Bedford | 476 | 258 | 734 |
| Carlisle | 187 | 56 | 243 |
| Chelmsford | 2129 | 878 | 3007 |
| Littleton | 541 | 140 | 681 |
| Westford | 662 | 482 | 1144 |
| Total | 4825 | 2131 | 6956 |

## Persons Having Dogs Licensed in 1928

Allard, Moses ..... $\$ 2.00$
Charter, W. W. ..... 2.00
Armburg, Fred2.00
Bancroft, C. A. ..... 5.00
Banks, F. M. ..... 7.00
Barker, Earl L. ..... 2.00
Baxter, Miriam F. ..... 2.00
Bedford, Mrs. A. E.2.00
Benere, Antonia ..... 2.00
Bennett, L. W. ..... 2.00
Berglind, Edward E ..... 5.00
Berglind, John E.2.00
Busch, Edward ..... 2.002.00Blanchard, Webster S.2.00
Bond, R. J. ..... 2.00
Bondelvitch, Walter ..... 6.00
Bowen, Robert M.2.00
Boyle, Mrs. Mary ..... 5.00
Boxill, Mrs. Cyril ..... 2.00
Berry, James N. ..... 2.00
Bradford, F. W. R.2.00
Bradbury, Rolfe4.00
Braman, Mrs. Frank ..... 5.00
Braman, James W. ..... 2.00
Brill, Fred E. ..... 7.00
Brindley, Charles R.2.00
Britton, Daniel ..... 5.00
Brown, J. A. ..... 2.00
Bulette, Frank W. ..... 2.00
Bursaw, H. W. ..... 2.00
Caldwell. Hazel ..... 2.00Campbell, Leland H.2.00
Cann, Irene2.00
Carey, Alfred S. ..... 2.00
Chaffin, Nancy S.6.00
Cheney, Edward ..... 2.00
Christofferson, Allen M. ..... 2.00
Clifford, Albert ..... 2.00
Cobleigh, Mrs. William. .....  00
Condon, Timothy ..... 2.00
Coombs, George J. ..... 00
Conant, Charlotte ..... 2.00
Cooper, Ernest ..... 5.00
Costello, T. ..... 5.00
Coughlin, Harold J. ..... 6.00
Crocker, Charles ..... 4.00
Cummings, Bertha M. ..... 5.00
Davis, Charles E. ..... 7.00
Davis, Wendell F. ..... 5.00
DeSousa, Mrs. Benj. ..... 2.00
DiGiacomandria, Nichols ..... 2.00
Doyle, Henry K. ..... 00
Duggan, John A. ..... 5.00
Durkee, C. A. ..... 5.00
Durkee, Raymond F. ..... 2.00
Duren, Delta B. ..... 2.00
Edney, Charles F. ..... 2.00
Enneguess, Michael ..... 4.00
Evans, John H. ..... 7.00
Farrar, Frank B. ..... 2.00
Farrar, J. (Maple St.). ..... 2.00
Fitzgerald, James ..... 2.00
Flagg, Alden ..... 4.00
Fletcher, Charles J. ..... 2.00
Fletcher, Lester N. ..... 2.00
Fobes, J. Edwin ..... 5.00
Foley, Michael ..... 2.00
Foley, Patrick ..... 2.00
Freeman, George ..... 2.00
$317 \quad 1147$
$258 \quad 734$
56
243
3007
681
1144
6956
FFreeman, Mather $2.00 \mid$ Larrabee, Wesley ..... 5.00
Freeman, Richard 5.00 Larsen, Jorgen ..... 5.00
French, James H. ..... 2.00
Leard, Earl ..... 2.00French, Sarah2.00
Frost, Alan B. ..... 5.00
Frost, Lillian E. ..... 5.00
Fullonton, L. T. ..... 4.00
Gagnon, Joseph E. ..... 2.00
Gagnon, Raymond ..... 2.00
Gallagher, Thomas C. ..... 2.00
Gallant, Mildred ..... 2.00
Gates, Esther E. ..... 2.00
Gibbs, Harriet E. ..... 2.00Goucher, Edward S.2.00
Green, Catherine ..... 2.00
Grenon, N. J. ..... 2.00
Griffin, Franklin E. ..... 7.00
Hall, Irwin ..... 5.00
Hall, Mary Farrell ..... 2.00
Harrison, B. M. ..... 2.00
Harvey, Lucretia H. ..... 7.00
Hastings, Lewis C. ..... 2.00
Hayes, Michael G. ..... 4.00
Haynes, Albert L. ..... 4.00
Herrick, J. M. ..... 5.00
Hilliard, John A. ..... 2.00
Hodgen, Hugh ..... 2.00
Holbrook, F. A ..... 4.00
Holden, F. H. ..... 2.00
Holland, John ..... 7.00
Hollowell, Elwin ..... 5.00
Howe, Leland F. ..... 2.00
Howe, O. H. ..... 2.00
Hurley, James J. ..... 2.00
Jacobs, John B. ..... 2.00
Jalonen, Arthur ..... 2.00
Jones, A. C. ..... 2.00
Jones, Karl R. ..... 2.00
Jones, Warren H. ..... 2.00
Kazokas, Joseph ..... 2.00
Kelley, Julia T. ..... 2.00
Kennedy, Duncan S. ..... 2.00
Kimball, Carrie E. ..... 2.00
Kilmartin, William T ..... 4.00
Knowlton, Samuel E. ..... 2.00
Laffin, Fraser ..... 2.00
Lamont, Frank H. ..... 2.00
Lamson, Wallace I. ..... 2.00
LaRoche, Arthur4.00
Lears, William ..... 00
LeClare, Edward .....  00
MacFawn, Vivian P. .....  00
MacGregor, H. S. ..... 00
MacKinion, F. R. .....  00
Marsh, A. W. ..... 2.00
Mason, Roger ..... 9.00
Mayell, Ruth .....  00
May, Francis A. ..... 2.00
McCarthy, Leo ..... 5.00
McLoughlin, Joseph E., ..... 2.00
McGovern, John ..... 00
Massie, William, Jr. .....  00
Mead, Hobart E. ..... 00
Mekkelsen, Thora ..... 00
Mel, Eleanor ..... 00
Merriam, Harold ..... 00
Mills, Charles H. ..... 2.00
Montague, Everett N. ..... 00
Morse, George ..... 00
Morrison, Frederick D., 10.00
Muise, Joseph ..... 2.00
Munn, William ..... 00
Murgatroyd, James ..... 9.00
Nelson, Olaf F ..... 2.00
Nealy, Edward F. ..... 00
Newell, L. F. ..... 2.00
Newell, P. S. ..... 00
Nolan, Edward (1927) ..... 10.00
Noterman, Emile ..... 7.00
Oldroyd, Catherine ..... 2.00
Olsen, Peter, Jr., ..... 2.00
Olsen, Simon ..... 2.00
O'Neil, James .....  00
Packard, James B. ..... 2.00
Parzkienicz, Stanley ..... 2.00
Pedersen, John ..... 5.00
Pemer, D. F. ..... 4.00
Penner, John ..... 2.00
Penniman, Leonard ..... 2.00
Perkins, A. Hazelton ..... 2.00
Perkins, Levi W. ..... 2.00
Peterson, Carl N. ..... 2.00
Phillips, Andrew S. ..... 2.00
Polep, Mildred ..... $\because .(0)$
Pope. Benjamin ..... 9.00
Pratt, Edward F. ..... 2.00 Stuart, Raymond ..... 2.00
Pratt, Herbert T.
Swensen, Oscar ..... 2.00
Price, Frank ..... 2.00Sylvia, E. W.2.00
Rafuse, Edith M.
Rawitser, William
Rawitser, William ..... 2.00 ..... 2.00 ..... 2.00 ..... 2.00
Taylor, Spencer H.
Rayner, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Reed, G. Howard ..... 7.00
Reed, Otis J. ..... 2.00
Reid, Robert A., 3rd ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Arthur ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Harold R. ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Jesse C. ..... 2.00
Richardson, George A. ..... 2.00
Roche, Francis B. ..... 2.00
Rogers, E. Stuart ..... 2.00
Rugg, George ..... $4.0)^{9}$
Russell, Mrs. John H. ..... 2.00
Sanborn, Everett R. ..... 5.00
Sawyer, Benjamin H. ..... 2.00
Schofield, Harris C. ..... 10.00
Scott, Annie J. ..... 2.00
Sebastian, Lester ..... 2.00
Shapley, Eva C. ..... 2.00
Sheehan, Michael J. ..... 2.00
Sisson, George T. ..... 10.00
Small, Hazel ..... 2.00
Smith, Ralph ..... 2.00
Soar, Henry ..... 2.00
Spinney, Alice L ..... 2.00
Stearns, Margery E. ..... 2.00
Stiles, Frank L. ..... 5.00
Stokes, William ..... 2.00
Stoney, Mrs. Reginald 2.00 Young, David
5.00
5.00
Teele, Sumner J.
Teele, Sumner J.
2.00
Teele, William Henry
8.00
Todd, Ethel
2.00
Toohey, William J.
2.00
Toohey, William J. (1927)
5.00
Tompkins, Elizabeth P.
2.00
Tracy, Alfred
2.00
Tripp, Horatio W.
2.00
Tucker, George S., Jr.,
5.00
Turnbull, George L.
2.00
Turner, George C.
2.00
Tuttle, George F.
5.00
Tuttle, Harlan E.
2.00
Vallie, A. H.
2.00
Vila, Maude
2.00
Vilkauskis, Anthony
2.00
Wamboldt, Harry
2.00
Ward, Edward J.
7.00
Watkins, John H.
25.00
Weaver, George T.
7.00
Whitcomb, Fred S.
2.00
Whitney, Cora A.
2.00
Wilkowski, Paul
2.00
Willett, Charles E.
2.00
Wood, Mrs. Herbert L.,
2.00
Wood, Oliver D.
2.00
Woodworth, Randall ..... 2.00 ..... 2.00
223 licenses at $\$ 2.00$ ..... $\$ 446.00$
53 licenses at $\$ 5.00$ ..... 265.00
1 license at $\$ 25.00$ ..... 25.00
Deduct fees-277 licenses at 20c each ..... 55.40
$\$ 680.60$
May 28, 1928-Paid county treasurer ..... $\$ 222.60$
Nov. 30, 1928-Paid county treasurer ..... 454.40
Dec. 31, 1928-Due county treasurer ..... 3.60

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1928
Cash on hand ..... $\$ 26,216.93$
Received from State Treasurer:
Corporation tax B ..... \$187.17
Corporation tax P. S. ..... 4.19
Corporation tax P. S. interest ..... 01
National Bank tax, 1925 ..... 07
National Bank tax, 1926 ..... 03
Highway Department ..... 200.00
Income Mass. School fund ..... 2,978.41
Highways, Lowell road ..... 961.51
Highway department ..... 3,000.00
Highways, Lowell road ..... 2,147. 08
Loss of Land taxes ..... 406.55
Income tax, 1927 ..... 430.00
Corporation tax B ..... 229.09
Corporation tax P. S., 1925 ..... 6.79
Corporation tax P. S., 1926 ..... 2.69
Corporation tax P. S., 1927 ..... 3.34
Highways, School street ..... 1,055.98
Highways, School street ..... 615.31
Corporation tax, P. S. ..... 365.79
Corporation tax, Business ..... 3,628.40
Income tax, 1928 ..... 12,750.00
National Bank tax ..... 134.32
Trust Co., tax ..... 93.89
Tuition of Children ..... 276.43
State Aid ..... 292.00
Veterans Exemption ..... 54.86
Highway Department ..... 2,800.00
Highways, School street ..... 862.04
Corporation tax, P. S. ..... 46.66
Corporation tax, B. ..... 316.65
County Treasurer:
Dog tax ..... 671.74
Highways, Lowell road ..... 961.50
Highways, Lowell road ..... 2,147.08
Highways, School street ..... 1,055.98
Highways, School street ..... 615.32
Highways, School street ..... 862.04
Charles E. Davis, old fire house ..... 135.00
F. W. Green, old fire truck ..... 10.00
Harry Tuttle, old hose reel ..... 1.25
Town of Charlton, public welfare ..... 175.50
Town of Boxboro ..... 55.00
Town of Concord, Nagog tax ..... 25.12
Fred W. Green, cemetery lots ..... 10.00
Fred W. Green, rent of lowering device ..... 39.00
Fred W. Green, 13 loads loam ..... 13.00
H. F. Tuttle, cemetery lots ..... 55.00
Boston \& Maine Railroad, brush fires ..... 35.10
N. Y. N. H. \& H. Railroad, brush fires ..... 121.40
Damages to W. A. Beacon ..... 25.00
Damages to W. A. Beacon ..... 15.00
Damages to W. A. Beacon ..... 28.24
Damages to tree guard ..... 4.00
Library fines ..... 46.50
Old books and papers ..... 12.00
First National Bank, interest ..... 314.51
2 alcohol licenses ..... 2.00
Department of Standards, 2 licenses ..... 16.00
Court fines ..... 241.00
Town hall, rents ..... 133.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures ..... 57.70
Nurses clolections ..... 228.50
Licenses, gasoline ..... 24.00
Licenses, victuallers ..... 13.00
Licenses, bus permits ..... 13.00
Licenses, imnholders ..... 3.00
Licenses, used car dealers ..... 3.00
Licenses, 3rd class garage ..... 2.00
Licenses, Sunday baker ..... 1.00
Licenses, auctioneer ..... 1.00
Licenses, ammunition ..... 1.00
Licenses, 2nd class garage ..... 1.00
Licenses, fruit pedler ..... 1.00
Licenses, oleomargine ..... 1.00
School Tuition, Boxboro ..... 1,932.56
School Tuition, Carlisle ..... 48.00
School Tuition, Mr. Thompson ..... 30.00
School paper ..... 1.00
School, old junk ..... 2.75
School, old lumber and iron ..... 3.85
Rebate on insurance ..... 97.79
A. W. Davis, school busses ..... 400.00
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 20,000.00
Cemetery fund, care of lots ..... 1,301.50
Library fund, book account ..... 408.55
Cemetery fund, surplus ..... 100.00
C. A. Durkee, collector:
1926 taxes ..... \$12,544.56
1927 taxes ..... 23,790. 32
1928 taxes ..... 53,151.18
\$89,486.06
\$257,054.73
Paid selectmen's orders ..... 237,767.98
Cash on hand ..... \$19,286.75
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Treasurer's Report of Funds Held for Care of Cemetery Lots
Perpetual care funds ..... \$ 31,516.66
3,734.29Unexpended balance
Received for care of lots:
George V. Mead lot ..... \$100.00
Alfred J. Edwards lot ..... 100.00
Winthrop E. Wood lot ..... 100.00
J. K. W. Wetherbee lot ..... 200.00
James I. Mills lot ..... 75.00
Harold L. Page lot ..... 100.00
W. C. Ames lot ..... 100.00
Harris Cowdry lot ..... 100.00
Samuel Burroughs lot ..... 100.00
George A. Webster lot ..... 75.00
Phineas Wetherbee lot, R. R. bond sold ..... 78.96
Income from:
Water District bonds ..... \$198.00
Liberty bonds interest ..... 182.38
Liberty bonds sold, premium ..... 96.56
Maynard Trust Company ..... 140.69
East Cambridge Savings ..... 25.00
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 22.50
North Middlesex Savings ..... 81.90
Central Savings, Lowell ..... 91.00
Middlesex Savings bank ..... 112.52
Worcester North Savings ..... 100.00
Home Savings ..... 45.00
Worcester Five Cent Savings ..... 67.50
Marlboro Savings ..... 50.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 194.85
Boston Five Cent ..... 22.50
Suffolk Savings ..... 20.42
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 192.20
North End Savings ..... 31.64
Warren Institution ..... 4.89
\$1,679.55
Transferred to surplus account ..... 235.18
$\$ 1,444.37$$\$ 37,824.28$
Paid:
Town of Acton, "Care of Lots", ..... \$1,301.50
Water District bonds ..... 4,800.00
Maynard Trust Company ..... 3,228.96
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000. 00
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
North Middlesex ..... 1,800.00
Central Savings, Lowell ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Savings ..... 2,475.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 2,000. 00
Home Savings ..... 1,000.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 1,500.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 1,000.00
Boston Five Cent Savings ..... 2,000.00
North End Savings ..... 727.36
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 3,910.97
Suffolk Savings ..... 2,375.00
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 603.25
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 112.54
Assabet Institution for Savings, balance ..... 3,989.70
\$37,824.28

> FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## Cemetery Surplus Fund

Balance ..... \$351. 35
Interest ..... 14.62
Transferred from cemetery account ..... 235.18
Paid to town of Acton ..... \$100.00
Assabet Institution for Savings, balance ..... 501.15

## Elizabeth White Fund

Principal fund ..... $\$ 25,000.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 2,568. 64
Interest received:
Waltham Savings bank ..... $\$ 90.00$
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 100.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 100.00
Lowell Institution for Savings ..... 90.00
Andover Savings ..... 100.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 100.00
Amherst Savings ..... 100.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 100.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 90.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 50.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 90.00
North Middlesex Institution ..... 90.00
Athol Savings ..... 100.40
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 105.74
\$1,306.14
\$28,874.78
Paid trustees' orders \$ 838.00
Waltham Savings ..... 2,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
East Cambridge ..... 2,000.00
Lowell Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Andover Savings ..... 2,000.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 2,000.00
Amherst Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 2,000.00
Athol Savings ..... 2,000.00
Assabet Institution, balance ..... 3,036.78
$\$ 28,874.78$
FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## Wilde Memorial Library

Principal fund ..... $\$ 9,000.00$
Susan Augusta and Luther Conant fund ..... 1,000.00
Hiram J. Hapgood fund ..... 200.00
Luke Tuttle fund ..... 200.00
Unexpended balance ..... 63.78
Received interest:
West Shore R. R. bond ..... \$ 40.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 151.88
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 91.01
Lowell City Institution ..... 45.50
North End Savings ..... 45.50
Home Savings ..... 45.50
Middlesex Institution for Sȧvings ..... 45.50
Maynard Trust Company ..... 21.00
\$10,949. 67
Paid library book account ..... \$408.55
Cash in :
Warren Institution for Savings ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Charlestown. Five Cent ..... 3,000.00
Lowell City Institution ..... 1,000.00
North End Savings ..... 1,000.00
Home Savings ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Institution ..... $1,000.00$
West Shore R. R. bond ..... 1,000.00
Maynard Trust Company ..... 400.00
Maynard Trust Company, balance ..... 141.12

\$10,949. 67

FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## Nineteenth of April Fund

Principal fund ..... $\$ 293.32$
Interest, Middlesex Institution ..... 13.32
Cash in Middlesex Institution ..... $\$ 306.6 t$
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Fireman's Relief Fund
Principal fund ..... \$413.87
Interest, Middlesex Institution ..... 18.81
Cash in Middlesex Institution ..... \$432.6

## Outstanding Notes and Bonds



FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

T'o the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
I herewith submit my report for the fire department.
We have answered seventeen calls for chimney and small fires outside of brush fires; with very small damages, except in one house fire.

The department is in good condition, with full membership of good men always ready to answer calls.

Would recommend an appropriation of $\$ 1,550.00$ for department and new hose.

Respectfully,
FRANK W. HOIT,
Chief Engineer.

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

> To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Acton, Massachusetts:
> Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year 1928 :

## Expenditures <br> GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation .......................... $\$ 4,600.00$
Transferred from the reserve fund ....... 25.43

## SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

## Paid:

Howard J. Billings, salary . ............... . $\$ 200.00$
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary .............. $\quad 100.00$
Wendell F. Davis, salary ................. . . 100.00
Robert S. Osterhout, town reports . ...... . 532.00
Hobbs \& Warren, license blanks ......... 1.79
Murphy \& Snyder, stationery and notices, 12.00
H. S. Turner, notices ...................... 3.50

Waldo E. Whitcomb, telephone and postage 1.57
Wendell F. Davis, postage ................ . . 97
$\$ 951.83$

## ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

## Paid:

Howard L. Jones, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 400.00$
Postage and envelopes ................ 8.00
Service Stationery \& Printing Company .. 13.50
\$421.50

## TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

## Paid:

Frank W. Hoit, salary . .................. $\$ 500.00$
Frank W. Hoit, certifying notes ........ 8.00
Frank W. Hoit, postage, telephone ...... 31.82
Frank W. Hoit, safe deposit box ........ 5.00
$\$ 544.82$
PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary . ............ . \$ 75.00
Howard J. Billings, salary ................ . 40.00
Wendell F. Davis, salary ................. . . 40.00

## COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

Paid:
Charles A. Durkee, salary ..... \$562.50
Hobbs \& Warren, notices, book ..... 7.11
Murphy \& Snyder, printing ..... 21.50
Charles A. Durkee, envelopes ..... 3.12
ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Henry L. Haynes, salary ..... \$183.33
Arthur W. Emerson, salary ..... 183.33
Warren H. Jones, salary ..... 183.34
Hobbs \& Warren, books, stationery ..... 33.28
Assessors' auto tax service ..... 5.00
L. L. Applin, transfer notices ..... 17.17
H. S. Turner, voting lists ..... 95.00
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 6.25
Rachael Haynes, salary as clerk ..... 50.00
Henry L. Haynes, making copy ..... 25.00
Henry L. Haynes, traveling expense, post- age, telephone ..... 18.70
Henry L. Haynes, attending state meeting ..... 5.00
Arthur W. Emerson, attending state meeting ..... 5.00
Warren H. Jones, attending state meeting, ..... 5.00

## TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

## Paid:

Horace F. Tuttle, salary ..... $\$ 200.00$
Horace F. Tuttle, recording births ..... 43.00
Horace F. Tuttle, recording marriages ..... 17.50
Horace F. Tuttle, recording deaths ..... 16.50
Horace F. Tuttle, telephone and postage, ..... 31.25
Murphy \& Snyder, letterheads and enve- lopes ..... 7.70
P. B. Murphy, notices ..... 3.00
Carter's Ink Company ..... 1.63
A. H. Bartlett Company, certificates ..... 28

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Paid:
Theron F. Newton, salary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 120.00$
Hobbs \& Warren, book
2.09
CATTLE INSPECTION
Paid:
Fred S. Whitcomb, salary ..... $\$ 175.00$
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION
Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, registrar ..... $\$ 50.00$
E. A. Phalen, registrar ..... 20.00
L. C. Hastings, officer ..... 20.00
L. C. Hastings, placing booths ..... 5.00
Timothy Hennessey, officer ..... 20.00
Theron F. Newton, officer ..... 20.00
Thomas Murray, officer ..... 5.00
A. R. Beach, officer ..... 20.00
A. F. Davis, officer ..... 20.00
John J. Manning, officer ..... 15.00
B. D. Hall, officer ..... 15.00
B. D. Hall, pencils ..... 20
David R. Kinsley, officer ..... 20.00
James Kinsley, officer ..... 25.00
H. E. Holt, officer ..... 5.00
F. S. Whitcomb, officer ..... 5.00
James P. Brown, officer ..... 5.00
Harold Coughlin, officer ..... 15.00
A. W. Haynes, officer ..... 20.00
Horace Tuttle, padlocks ..... 1.00
Universalist church, rent ..... 20.00
R. S. Osterhout, ballots, warrants, etc. ..... 173.50
'Turner's Public Spirit, notices ..... 5.00

## MODERATOR

Paid:
A. Brooks Parker ..... $\$ 20.00$
TREASURER'S AND COLLECTOR'S BONDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 270.00$
Paid:
American Surety Company ..... $\$ 270.00$
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Paid:
American Woolen Company ..... \$ 66.20
John Pederson, wood ..... 24.00
E. Z. Stanley, repairs ..... 15.50
West \& South Water Supply District ..... 12.00
B. A. King, wiring ..... 10.05
Joseph Breck \& Son, lawn mower handle ..... 2.00
T. F. Parker, lawn mower handle ..... 18.00
L. T. Fullonton \& Company, painting West fire house ..... 175.00
L. T. Fullonton \& Company, re-decorating walls at hall ..... 15.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, coal ..... 64.65
Waldo E. Whitcomb, padlock and keys ..... 3.40
J. W. Livermore, mowing Common ..... 17.75
H. N. Clark Company, ash barrels ..... 20.68
M. E. Taylor \& Company, supplies ..... 8.26
Albert E. Sims, repairs ..... 6.80
F: W. Green, labor and teaming ..... 10.53
George K. Hayward, six loads filling ..... 7.50
Walter S. Jones, setting glass ..... 1.00
Arthur Wayne, janitor ..... 118.75
Arthur, Wayne, care of clock ..... 52.00
Arthur Wayne, mowing lawn ..... 43.50
\$692.57
Unexpended balance ..... 107.43
Protection of Persons and Property
POLICE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 36.67
\$1,236.67
Paid:
Michael Foley, services ..... $\$ 345.72$
Michael Foley, telephone, postage ..... 9.79
John T. McNiff, services ..... 328.62
John T. McNiff, court fees ..... 23.00
Allan B. Frost, services ..... 167.01
Charles Whitcomb, services ..... 25.50
George Braman, services ..... 12.75
Charles Monroe, services ..... 12.75
William Driscoll, services ..... 17.25
Ernest Rasmussen, services ..... 24.75
Daniel Curtin, services ..... 86.75
Jesse Briggs, services ..... 20.50
Mrs. Mary Barry, matron ..... 10.80
N. E. Telephone \& Telegraph Company, service ..... 42.73
Dr. O. L. Clark, examination ..... 5.00
Charles A. Durkee, services ..... 2.25
A. H. Perkins, express .....  94
W. J. Costello, marking road signs ..... 15.00
A. W. Davis Company, paint cement ..... 35.30
Finney \& Hoit, equipment ..... 44.00
American Woolen Company, lighting ..... 6.26
FIRE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 180.11
\$1,380.11
Paid:
West Acton department, salaries ..... \$ 90.00
South Acton department, salaries ..... 90.00
Center department, salaries ..... 90.00
B. A. King, payroll ..... 91.50
John J. Manning, payroll ..... 40.00
John J. Manning, janitor ..... 120.00
William G. Lawrence, janitor ..... 128.10
George Braman, janitor ..... 78.00
George K. Hayward, janitor ..... 12.00
American Woolen Company, lighting ..... 35.49
N. E. Telephone \& Telegraph Company ..... 28.96
Finney \& Hoit, tires and tubes ..... 80.80
Finney \& Hoit, supplies for firehouse ..... 22.43
Strong \& Tracey, oil, bulbs ..... 2.25
West \& South Water Supply ..... 39.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, coal ..... 136.35
A. W. Davis Company, coal ..... 128.70
A. W. Davis Company, paint ..... 2.00
A. W. Davis, labor on whistle ..... 47.50
B. A. King, re-wiring whistle ..... 33.96
Maynard \& Acton Oil Company, oil and gasoline ..... 8.96
Harland Tuttle, driver's license ..... 2.00
Fitzgerald Garage, repairs and supplies ..... 16.31
Acton Motor Company, repairs ..... 24.20
A. E. Doten, gasoline ..... 1.71
James Grimes, labor and cement ..... 3.45
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 3.74
William B. Holt, fan for engine ..... 21.70
Fritz Oelschergel, belts ..... 1.00
A. W. Davis, payrolls ..... 97.50
J. J. Manning, payrolls ..... 92.65
American Fire Equipment Company, siphon, bottles ..... 14.58
S. M. Spencer Manufacturing Company, badges ..... 12.39
Standard Extinguisher, extinguishers and acids ..... 128.00
A. B. Frost, express ..... 2.50
A. B. Frost, investigation and enforcement of slash law ..... 6.00
Murphy \& Snyder, 500 reports ..... 6.35
Norman Livermore ..... 1.00
M. E. Taylor Company, supplies ..... 8.61
\$484.23
Unexpended balance ..... 15.77
$\$ 500.00$
SPECIAL FOR HOSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 350.00$
Paid:
Henry K. Barnes Company ..... $\$ 315.00$
Pierce's Express ..... 2.00
\$317.00
Unexpended balance ..... 33.00$\$ 350.00$
FIRE HOUSE
Balance, January 1, 1928 ..... $\$ 800.00$
Paid:
George K. Hayward, balance of contract ..... $\$ 800.00$
HYDRANT SERVICE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,984.00$
Paid:
West \& South Acton Supply District ..... \$2,750.00
Town of Concord ..... 184.00
\$2,934.00
50.00
Unexpended balance
\$2,984.00
MOTH DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... \$1,269.39
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 34.90
Paid:
James O'Neil, labor ..... \$868.00
James O'Neil, truck ..... 396.00
James O'Neil, sundry expenses ..... 12.95
Arthur L. Stewart, repairs ..... 14.83
Tar Products Corporation, creosote ..... 12.51

## TREE WARDEN

Appropriation
Paid:
Tames O'Neil, labor ..... \$181.50
James O'Neil, truck ..... 59.00
James O'Neil, filing saws and bolts ..... 2.50$\$ 250.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 7.00$\$ 250.00$
HEALTH AND SANITATION
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,300.00$
Charles A. Durkee, service and expenses as agent ..... $\$ 232.86$
James Kinsley, inspection ..... 40.30
Dr. E. A. Mayell, anti-toxin, account school ..... 35.00
Dr. E. A. Mayell, professional service ..... 8.00
Dr. G. N. Tuttle, professional service ..... 70.00
Dr. F. E. Tasker, professional service ..... 45.00
Acton Drug Company, fumigators ..... 18.00
Parke Davis Company, supplies ..... 56.28
Hobbs \& Warren, blanks ..... 27
A. W. Davis \& Company, wire ..... 2.40
A. W. Davis \& Company, graveling road to dump ..... 64.50
A. W. Hederstedt, book ..... 1.50
Franklin Press, posters ..... 3.30
R. F. Durkee, secretary ..... 15.00
Dr. F. E. Tasker, chairman ..... 25.00
Dr. G. W. Tuttle ..... 10.00
Unexpended balance ..... $\$ 672.59$
TOWN NURSE
Appropriation
Paid :
Lillian E. Frost, nurse ..... \$2,000.16
N. E. Telephone \& Telegraph Company ..... 13.95
Acton Drug Company, supplies ..... 28.44
Unexpended balance ..... 157.45
HIGHWAYS
Appropriation ..... \$10,000. 00
Appropriation from state under Chapter $81 \quad 5,800.00$
Paid:
E. P. Gates, two drags, irons, repairs, etc., ..... \$ 84.90
South Acton Coal \& Grain Company, lum- ber and pipe ..... 19.08
Massachusetts Broken Stone Company ..... 28.00
Barrett Company, tarvia ..... 723.75
A. W. Davis, cement, tools, paint, etc. ..... 100.54
Strong \& Tracy, asphaltum ..... 6.56
Standard Oil Company, oil ..... 2,366.40
Berger Manufacturing Company, culverts, ..... 185.60
N. Y., N. H. \& H. R. R. Company, cinders, ..... 56.25
Conant Machine Company, parts, repairs, etc. ..... 56.33
George Hayward, cold patch ..... 12.99
H. A. Haynes Company; lumber ..... 6.12
Hall Brothers, stakes ..... 5.40
Hedge \& Matthews Company, mixer ..... 171.00
Good Roads Machinery Company, repairs scraper ..... 109.60
Pierce's Express ..... 8.00
Essco Manufacturing Company, signs ..... 11.09
Traffic Sign \& Signal Company, signs ..... 51.50
Acton Motor Company, drilling ..... 2.50
N. E. Metal Culvert Company, culvert ..... 31.20
Simon Olsen, building temporary bridge ..... 50.00
Herbert Hall, lumber, labor ..... 9.35
W. J. Costello, painting signs ..... 3.00
Tate \& Company, pipe ..... 1.00
A. H. Perkins, freight and express ..... 9.66
Paul Gould, gravel ..... 18.60
James S. Gagnon, gravel ..... 24.75
A. A. Jenks, gravel ..... 55.05
James A. Berry, gravel ..... 38.70
Fred S. Whitcomb, gravel ..... 30.60$\$ 2,200.00$
\$2,042.55
$\$ 2,200.00$\$15,800.00
I. W. Perkins, gravel ..... 7.05
R. A. Reed, gravel ..... 8.55
Harrison Square Foundry Company, catch basin ..... 24.00
J. S. Moore, paint brush ..... 1.95
B. A. King, meter switch and repairs on traffic signal ..... 24.00
E. A. Phalen, signs ..... 1.92
A. F. Davis, painting signs ..... 4.75
Finney \& Hoit, plugs ..... 2.40
M. E. Taylor \& Company, gasoline, oil ..... 1.36
Fletcher Corner Filling Station, gasoline, oil ..... 45.35
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... 10.25
William B. Holt, labor ..... 75
William H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 135.30
PAYROLLS
Labor:
A. H. Perkins ..... \$1,216.00
Jesse Briggs ..... 21.50
P. Callan ..... 695.50
Ralph Jones ..... 113.00
Paul Coughlin ..... 630.00
T. Conquest ..... 8.00
W. Blaisdell ..... 30.00
W. Larrabee ..... 573.00
George Rugg ..... 568.50
A. Wessells ..... 615.50
R. Boyce ..... 84.50
M. Sheehan ..... 92.00
J. Gallant ..... 522.00
W. Jones ..... 175.00
L. Allard ..... 327.50
George Keyes ..... 10.00
J. DeSouza ..... 26.25
R. Perkins ..... 206.00
A. Dubey ..... 23.00
J. Schofield ..... 36.00
G. Penney ..... 36.00
J. Gagnon ..... 8.00
A. Christensen ..... 8.00
L. Perkins ..... 8.00
O. Granberg ..... 4.00
Trucks:

\$1,317.63

\$1,317.63
Jesse Briggs
Jesse Briggs
67.50
67.50
F. Penney
F. Penney
819.75
819.75
R. Jones
R. Jones
640.00
640.00
William H. Kingsley
William H. Kingsley ..... 601.50
George Hayward ..... 50.00
A. B. Frost ..... 55.00
P. Granberg ..... 14.00
A. H. Perkins ..... 582.00
Teams:
William H. Kingsley ..... 314.00
E. Cooms ..... 13.50
L. W. Perkins ..... 449.00
Mr. Price ..... 11.50
William Lawrence ..... 7.00
George Greenough ..... 8.00
A. Christofferson ..... 66.00
R. Perkins ..... 1.50
A. H. Perkins ..... 116.00
\$15,716.28
Unexpended balance ..... 83.72
\$15,800.00
SCHOOL STREET AND LAW BROOK ROAD
Appropriation ..... \$3,000.00
Received from state under Chapter 90 ..... 2,533.33
Received from county under Chapter 90 ..... 2,533.34
Paid:
Westcott \& Monroe, building bridge as per contract ..... \$5,013.89
N. E. Concrete Pipe Corporation, pipe ..... 28.44
American Powder Company, exploders ..... 3.63
A. H. Fletcher, tile ..... 186.44
Wilson Lumber Company, lumber ..... 61.04
George V. Meade, posts ..... 7.50
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, lumber ..... 6.28
A. W. Davis Company, cement, tools, straw ..... 27.65
George H. Reed, cement, straw ..... 19.18
A. H. Perkins, oil, gasoline for loader ..... 39.25
A. W. Fisher, gravel ..... 162.15
William H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 29.55
PAYROLLS
Labor:
A. W. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 210.00$
P. Callan ..... 130.00
P. Coughlin ..... 80.00
George Rugg ..... 96.00
A. Wessells ..... 134.00
J. Gallant ..... 138.50
J. Schofield ..... 120.50
W. Larrabee ..... 114.50
L. Perkins ..... 76.50
A. Christensen ..... 46.00
George Penney ..... 64.50
Ole Granberg ..... 20.00
J. Gagnon ..... 34.00
Trucks :
A. H. Perkins ..... 105.00
R. Jones ..... 275.63
Jesse Briggs ..... 75.00
William H. Kingsley ..... 285.00
A. Oleson ..... 15.00
George Hayward ..... 102.50
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... 6.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 6.00
Unexpended balance ..... 347.04\$7,719. 63
WIDENING KELLEY'S CORNER
Appropriation, balance, January 1, 1928 $\$ 200.00$
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... \$ 18.00
W. Larrabee, labor ..... 6.00
P. Callan ..... 8.00
P. Coughlin ..... 6.00
(Heorge Rugg ..... 16.00
A. Wessells ..... 8.00
Leo Allard ..... 13.25
J. Gallant ..... 14.00
R. Perkins ..... 14.00
Jesse Briggs, truck ..... 15.00
G. A. Morse ..... 18.00
A. H. Perkins ..... 9.00
R. Jones ..... 10.00
$\$ 8,066.67$
Unexpended balance44.75
$\$ 200.00$
MAIN STREET
Appropriation-Balance January 1, 1928 ..... \$3,108. 60
Appropriation-By state, under Chapter 90 ..... 3,108.59
Appropriation-By county, under Chapter 90 ..... 3,108.58
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 398.23
Paid:
Greenough Construction Company ..... $\$ 9,724.00$
NAGOG HILL ROAD
Appropriation ..... \$1,500.00
Unexpended
SNOW REMOVAL
Appropriation ..... \$1,000. 00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 45.92
Paid :
John Pederson ..... $\$ 738.35$
A. H. Perkins ..... 48.00
A. Christofferson, tractor ..... 84.00
E. P. Gates, repairs on plow ..... 24.00
N. E. Road Machine Company, repairs and parts ..... 133.97
Good Roads Machine Company, parts ..... 17.60
\$1,045. 92
Street Lighting
Appropriation
Paid:
American Woolen Company ..... \$4,986.66
Unexpended balance ..... 13.34
PUBLIC WELFARE
Appropriation
Paid:
Orders as approved by the board of public welfare ..... \$1,499.21
Unexpended balance ..... 300.79 ..... 300.79
STATE AID
Appropriation ..... $\$ 264.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 36.00 ..... $\$ 300.00$
\$1,800.00
$\$ 300.00$
MILITARY AID
Appropriation ..... $\$ 100.00$Orders board of public welfare\$ 15.00
Thexpended balance ..... 85.00

## SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation
Paid :
Orders board of public welfare ..... \$217. 71
Unexpended balance ..... 82.29$\$ 300.00$
$\$ 300.00$
EDUCATION
Appropriation ..... $\$ 44,400.00$
Paid:
Report of schools ..... \$43,984.70
Unexpended balance ..... 415.30
$\$ 44,400.00$
LIBRARY
maintenance
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 121.03
\$921.03
Paid:
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, coal ..... \$179.25
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, lumber ..... 120.45
American Woolen Company, light ..... 39.25
O. D. Wood, labor ..... 52.70
W. A. Fuller \& Son, shelf plugs ..... 5.08
William H. Kingsley, wood ..... 6.75
R. S. Osterhout, slins ..... 30.00
F. F. Conant, insurance ..... 79.31
A. F. Davis, librarian ..... 151.50
A. F. Davis, janitor ..... 151.50
A. F. Davis, cataloging ..... 10.00
A. F. Davis, rebinding books and writing cards ..... 15.14
A. F. Davis, repairs ..... 4.60
O. E. Houghton, transporting books ..... 50.00
E. Z. Stanley, repairs on furnace ..... 15.20
D. E. LaFollette, book labels ..... 5.00
M. E. Taylor \& Company, supplies ..... 5.30

## BOOK ACCOUNT

Appropriation ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transferred from library fund ..... 408.55
Paid:
Louisa N. Wood ..... \$ 2.00
DeWolfe Fiske Company ..... 411.13
W. A. Wilde Company ..... 17.91
Campbell \& Lewnig ..... 82.47
Silver Burdett Company ..... 1.25
Ginn \& Company ..... 4.00
The Normal Person ..... 1.00
Goodspeeds Book Shop ..... 8.29
Frontier Press Company ..... 19.50
George L. Hosmer ..... 10.00
Herman Goldberger ..... 49.00
George H. B. Turner ..... 2.00
SPECIAL REPAIR WORK
Appropriation ..... $\$ 100.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 40.00
$\$ 140.00$
Paid:
E. H. Longley, cement walk ..... \$140.00
CEMETERIES
AppropriationPaid:
Fred Green, labor ..... \$533.85
Fred Green, team ..... 75.63
Fred Green, fertilizer ..... 3.00
C. B. Dodge Company, weed killer ..... 80.48
N. E. Nurseries, trees ..... 100.00
William H. Kingsley, team ..... 12.00
E. Z. Stanley, repairs ..... 1.71
William H. Kingsley, truck, labor, gravel, ..... 69.45
Albert Batley \& Son, flowers ..... 38.50
E. L. Spinney, team ..... 4.00
M. E. Taylor \& Company, rope and seed ..... 3.68
A. W. Davis Company, scythe and seed ..... 3.45
J. W. Livermore, mowing ..... 15.75
West \& South Acton Water Supply District ..... 13.38
H. F. Tuttle, commissioner ..... 15.00
H. F. Tuttle, making deeds and laying out streets and walks ..... 10.00
$\$ 979.88$
Unexpended balance ..... 20.12
PERPETUAL CARE
Received interest on cemetery fund ..... $\$ 1,301.50$
Paid:
F. W. Green, labor ..... $\$ 906.83$
F. W. Green, flowers ..... 219.50
Fred W. Green, fertilizer ..... 116.25
Fred W. Green, sharpening lawn mowers, ..... 12.40
Fred W. Green, lawn ..... 20.00
Fred W. Green, sundry expenses ..... 26.52
GRAVELING ROADS AND WALKS
Transferred from cemetery surplus fund ..... \$100.00
Paid:
W. H. Kingsley ..... \$100.00
LOWERING DEVICE
Appropriation ..... \$180.00
Paid:
Frigid Fluid Company ..... $\$ 171.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 9.00
INSURANCE OF EMPLOYEES
Appropriation
Paid:
Paul R..Hederstedt ..... \$412.23
Unexpended balance ..... 87.77
$\$ 500.00$ ..... $\$ 500.00$\$180.00$\$ 500.00$
MEMORIAL DAY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Acton Cadet band, music ..... $\$ 130.00$
F. A. Beach, cream ..... 1.50
Stone \& Tracey, provisions ..... 13.15
A. C. Jones \& Company, provisions ..... 8.81
Harding Uniform \& Regalia Company, flag ..... 10.40
Isaac Davis Post, flags ..... 28.10
A. W. Davis Company, paper ..... 1.40
Albert Batley \& Son, flowers ..... 41.25
$\$ 234.61$
Unexpended balance ..... 65.39
DEMONSTRATION WORK ON AGRICULTURE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$Paid:
Middlesex County Extension Service ..... $\$ 300.00^{\circ}$
COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ELECTRIC LIGHT CONTRACT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 150.00$
Unexpended ..... \$150.00
INSURANCE ON HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
Appropriation
Paid:
Dewick \& Flanders ..... $\$ 970.01$
Unexpended balance ..... 179.99\$1,150.00
UNCLASSIFIED
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:
E. F. Conant, insurance on fire trucks ..... \$ 14.75
Grace B. Little, land damages ..... 100.00
John Pederson, moving cell ..... 5.00
E. F. Conant, insurance on sealer's equip- ment ..... 34.05
James B. Tuttle, auctioneer ..... 15.00
Finney \& Hoit, flags ..... 13.00
James O'Neil, work on shade trees ..... 4.00
H. S. Turner, signs ..... 1.50
Dyar Sales \& Machine Company, signs ..... 5.00
Waltham News Tribune, advertising ..... 4.00
Globe Newspaper Company, advertising ..... 10.80
N. E. Road Builders' Association, adver- tising ..... 9.90
Post Publishing Company, advertising ..... 12.60
Courier-Citizen Newspaper Company, ad- vertising ..... 3.00
Dr. R. E. Hooper, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. J. W. Christie, reporting births ..... 1.00
Dr. O. L. Clarke, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. E. A. Mayell, reporting births ..... 1.00
George S. Braman, care of flag ..... 5.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, National bank tax, 1923 ..... 22
\$241. 32
Unexpended balance ..... 258.68
RESERVE FUND
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$Transferred to:
General government ..... \$ 25.43
Police department ..... 36.67
Fire department ..... 180.11
Moth department ..... 34.90
Main street ..... 398.23
Snow removal ..... 45.92
Library maintenance ..... 121.03
Library repairs ..... 40.00
Reserve loans interest ..... 110.34
$\$ 992.63$
Unexpended balance ..... 7.37
$\$ 1,000.00$
INTEREST ON FUNDED DEBT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 3,197.35$
Paid:
Merchants' National bank ..... $\$ 2,480.00$
North Middlesex Savings bank ..... 45.00
First National bank of Ayer ..... 260.00
Assabet Instituţion for Savings ..... 405.22
\$3,190. 22
Dnexpended balance ..... 7.13
INTEREST ON REVENUE LOANS
Appropriation ..... \$2,600.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 110.34
\$2,710.34
Paid
First National bank of Ayer ..... \$2,710. 34
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS
Appropriation ..... \$16,250.00
Paid:
Merchants' National bank, H. S. bonds ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
North Middlesex Savings bank, fire depart- ment note ..... 2,000.00
Assabet Institution for Savings, special road notes ..... $1,750.00$
First National bank of Ayer, special road notes ..... 400.00
Assabet Institution for Savings, Lowell road notes ..... 2,500.00
First National bank of Ayer, Main street notes 2,800.00
First National bank of Ayer, firehouse note ..... 800.00
\$16,250.00

## REVENUE LOANS

Amount outstanding January 1, 1928 ..... $\$ 45,000.00$
Received First National bank of Ayer ..... 95,000.00

\$140,000.00
Paid:
First National bank of Ayer ..... $\$ 95,000.00$
Amount outstanding, December 31, 1928 ..... 45,000.00
\$140,000.00REFUNDSPaid on account, 1927 tax\$ 9.15
TAX TITLE
Paid collector, 1926 tax\$134.31
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Due from collector, January 1, 1928 ..... $\$ 54,946.75$
State tax ..... 4,505.00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
Auditing ..... 676.23
County tax ..... 4,743.57
County tuberculosis tax ..... 310.21
Additional assessments ..... 42.20
Overlay ..... 3,776.57
Town grant ..... 80,968.14
$\$ 151,541.87$
Treasurer's cash on hand, January 1, 1928, \$26,216.93
Treasurer's receipts other than taxes ..... 143,721.04
\$169,937.97\$321,479.84
Paid:
State tax ..... \$4,505. 00
State highway tax ..... 1,573. 20
State auditing ..... 676.23
County tax ..... 4,743.57
County tuberculosis tax ..... 310.21
General government ..... 4,625.43
Treasurer's and collector's bonds ..... 270.00
Building and grounds ..... 692.57
Police ..... 1,236.67
Fire department ..... 1,380.11
Brush fires ..... 484.23
Fire department, new hose ..... 317.00
Fire house, balance of contract ..... 800.00
Hydrant service ..... 2,934.00
Moth department ..... 1,304.29
Tree warden ..... 243.00
Health and sanitation ..... 627.41
Town nurse ..... 2,042.55
Highways ..... 15,716.28
Widening road at Kelley's corner ..... 155.25
Main street ..... 9,724.00
School street to Law Brook road ..... 7,719.63
Snow removal ..... 1,045.92
Street lighting ..... 4,986. 66
Public welfare ..... 1,499.21
State aid ..... 264.00
Military aid ..... 15.00
Soldiers' relief ..... 217.71
Education ..... 43,984. 70
Library ..... 921.03
Library books ..... 608.55
Library repairs ..... 140.00
Cemeteries ..... 979.88
Cemetery perpetual care ..... 1,301.50
Cemeteries ..... 100.00
Lowering device ..... 171.00
Unclassified ..... 241.32
Insurance of town employees ..... 412.23
Memorial day ..... 234.61
Demonstration work in agriculture ..... 300.00
Insurance on high school building ..... 970.01
Interest on notes and bonds ..... 3,190.22
Interest on revenue loans ..... 2,710.34
Notes and bonds ..... 16,250.00
Revenue loans ..... 95,000.00
Refunds ..... 9.15
Tax titles ..... 134.31
\$237,767.98
Abatements ..... 426.13
Amount due from collector, December 31, 1928 ..... 63,998.98
Treasurer's balance ..... 19,286.75
OVERLAYS
1926
Balance, January 1, 1928 ..... $\$ 3,458.27$
Abatements ..... \$225.97
Transferred to overlay surplus ..... 3,232.30
Balance, January 1, 1928 ..... $\$ 3,305.93$
Abatements ..... \$ 69.56
Refund ..... 9.15
\$78.71
Balance, December 31, 1928 \$3,227. 22
1928
Overlay ..... \$3,776.57
Abatements ..... 130.60
Balance, December 31, 1928 ..... $\$ 3,645.9 \tau$
OVERLAY SURPLUS
Balance, January 1, 1928 ..... \$3,011. 60
Transferred for 1926 overlay ..... 3,232.30
Balance, December 31, 1928 ..... \$6,243.90
SURPLUS REVENUE, 1927
Balance, January 1, 1928
Amount appropriated November meeting, ..... $\$ 850.00$\$1,600.00
Transferred to surplus account ..... 750.00
SURPLUS ACCOUNT
Balance, January 1, 1928 ..... \$20,023.33
Transferred from surplus, 1927 ..... 750.00
Surplus revenue, 1928 ..... 13,526.63\$34,299.96
Dr.
Revenue account, 1928 ..... \$10,000. 00
Tax title revenue ..... 134.31
Balance, December 31, 1928\$24,165. 65
BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1928 REVENUE ACCOUNTS
ASSETS
Cash ..... \$19,286.75
Accounts receivable:Taxes:
Levy of 1927 ..... 20,635. 60
Levy of 1928 ..... 43,363.38
Tax titles ..... 134.31
Departmental:
Public 'welfare ..... 84.50
Highway ..... 15.00
State aid ..... 264.00
LIABILITIES
Revenue loans ..... $\$ 45,000.00$
Appropriation balance:
School street and Law Brook road ..... 347.04
Departmental revenue ..... 363.50
Tax title revenue ..... 134.31
Overlay reserved for abatements :
Levy of 1927 ..... 3,227.22
Levy of 1928 ..... 3,645.97
Overlay surplus ..... 6,243.90
Surplus war bonus fund ..... 655.95
Surplus revenue ..... 24,165. 65
\$83,783.54
DEBT ACCOUNTS
ASSETS
Net funded or fixed debt ..... $\$ 66,500.00$
LIABILITIES
High school bonds ..... $\$ 56,000.00$
Main street road notes ..... 8,200.00
Fire house notes ..... 2,300.00
$\$ 66,500.00$

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the tax collector and treasurer of the town of Acton, and find them correct.

> HOWARD L. JONES,
> Town Accountant.

February 8, 1929.

# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GOODNOW FUND 

For the Year Ending December 31, 1928

| INVESTMENTS |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Warren Institution for Savings ......... | $\$ 1,389.32$ |  |
| Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank $\ldots$. | $1,000.00$ |  |
| City Institution for Savings, Lowell $\ldots .$. | $1,000.00$ |  |

\$3,389. 32
RECEIPTS
Warren Institution for Savings .......... \$ 60.43
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ... 50.00
City Institution for Savings ............. 47.50
\$157.93
PAYMENTS
Ella L. Miller, treasurer of the Evangelical
church in Acton ....................... $\$ 122.50$
Fred W. Green, care of Goodnow lot, Woodlawn cemetery 10.00

Unused income, added to savings deposit 25.43
$\$ 157.93$
CHARLOTTE CONANT, CHARLES E. SMITH, HORACE F. TUTTLE, Trustees of Goodnow Fund.

## TRUSTEES' REPORT OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND

To the Citizens of the Town of Acton :
The trustees have signed orders to the treasurer for $\$ 838.00$ (Eight hundred and thirty-eight dollars), for the year ending December 31, 1928. Your trustees have tried to keep in touch with those who have been unfortunate in life and after an investigation found them in need, we have given them assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
WARREN H. JONES, WILLIAM H. KINGSLEY, WALDO E. WHITCOMB, Trustees of the Elizabeth White Fund.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT, 1928

Buildings, exclusive of land ..... \$2,293,700.00
Land, exclusive of buildings ..... 713,485.00
Personal estate ..... 644,235.00

\$3,651,420.00
Valuation, April 1, 1927 ..... 3,654,926.00
Decrease in valuation ..... $\$ 3,506.00$
Rate of taxation, \$26.00.
Tax assessed as follows :
Real estate ..... \$78,186.81
Personal estate ..... 16,750.11
Polls ..... 1,616.00
\$96,552.92
Amount of money raised:
State tax ..... $\$ 4,505.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
State auditing tax ..... 676.23
County tax ..... 4,743.57
County tuberculosis tax ..... 310.21
Town grant ..... 80,968.14
Overlay ..... 3,776.57
\$96,552. 92
December assessment:
Personal estate ..... $\$ 700.00$
Tax assessed as follows:Personal\$ 18.20
Polls ..... 24.00HENRY L. HAYNES,ARTHUR W. EMERSON.
Assessors.

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

## 1926 TAXES <br> Dr.

Uncollected January 1, 1928 ..... \$11,578.59
Interest collected ..... 1,191.94

## Cr.

Paid treasurer ..... \$12,544.56
Abated ..... 225.97
\$12,770.53

## 1927 TAXES

 Dr.Uncollected January 1, 1928 ..... \$43,368.16
Interest collected ..... 1,127.32
Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... \$23,790. 32
Abated ..... 69.56
Uncollected January 1, 1929 ..... 20,635.60
$\$ 44,495.48$

## 1928 TAXES

## Dr.

Committed ..... $\$ 96,595.12$
Interest collected ..... 50.04
\$96,645.16 Cr.
Paid treasurer ..... \$53,151.18
Abated ..... 130.60
Uncollected January 1, 1929 ..... 43,363.38

## REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of the Town of Acton:
We have been called upon during the year ending December 31,1928 , to render aid to eleven persons. Most of these will be of a permanent nature for the present year. One, a mother aid case, for which the state will re-imburse the town one-third of the expense from July 1. We are aiding one child who has a settlement in a neighboring town. Our town is being re-imbursed for this case.

Two children are under the care of the State Department of Public Welfare.

One adult is being cared for at the State Infirmary.
The others are being aided in their own homes, or private families.

> Respectfully submitted,
> WALDO E. WHITCOMB, HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WENDELL F. DAVIS, Department of Public Welfare.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

For the Year Ending December 31, 1928
Burial permits issued in Acton ............ 20
Burial permits of non-residents .......... 17
List of contagious diseases reported by the Board of Health, January 1, 1928, to December 31, 1928 :

Influenza ..................................... . . 12
Pneumonia (Lobar) .......................... 1
Measles .......................................... . . . . 4
Mumps .......................................... . . . . . . 1
Rabies .......................................... 3
Scarlet fever .................................... 2
Total .................................... 23
(Deaths, none.)
Your board would recommend that $\$ 1,000.00$ be appropriated for use of the board for the present year.

> ACTON BOARD OF HEALTH,
> C. A. Durkee, Agent.

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1928

We present the following schedule showing the amounts of the several funds for the perpetual care emetery lots and the income and expenditures on account of each fund for the year.
FRED W. GREEN
HORACE F. TUTTLE,
WENDELL F. DAVIS,
Cemetery Commissioners.

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and 4 ，southerly side of Prospect
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Mid！lor， ＇T＇emple，James Truette，Joseph T＇uttle，Edward Tuttle，Horace ．
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T＇uttle，Luke
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NORTH ACTON CEMETERY

| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Jan. 1, } 1928 \end{gathered}$ | Income | Expended | On hand Dec. 31, 1928 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Anderson, Henrietta | \$ 50.00 | \$ 54.54 | \$2.25 | \$2.00 | \$ 54.79 |
| 2. | Blood, Jerusha; Wiley and Temple | 200.00 | 267.80 | 9.00 | 10.00 | 266.80 |
| 3. | Hapgood, Mary | 50.00 | 55.27 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 55.52 |
| 4. | Hutchinson, Frances | 50.00 | 59.54 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 59.79 |
| 5. | Temple, Samuel ... | 50.00 | 58.29 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 58.54 |
|  |  | \$400.00 | \$495.44 | \$18.00 | \$18.00 | \$495.44 |
| MT. HOPE CEMETERY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | On hand Jan. 1, 1928 | Income | Expended | On hand <br> Dec. 31, 1928 |
| 1. | Adams, James L. | \$ 75.00 | \$ 79.16 | \$ 3.37 | \$ 3.50 | \$ 79.03 |
| . | Babcock, C. C. | 100.00 | 103.00 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 103.50 |
| 3. | Bean, Alcander P. | 100.00 | 110.58 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 111.08 |
| 4. | Blanchard, John | 100.00 | 118.33 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 118.33 |
| 5. | Brown, Albert . | 100.00 | 108.00 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 107.50 |
| 6. Brown, Harriet D., John Porter Priest, and Lucien J. Priest . . . . |  | 275.00 | 304.21 | 12.37 | 11.50 | 305.08 |
| 7. | Brown, Bessie E. | 100.00 | 114.41 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 114.91 |
| 8. | Burbeck, Lucy A. (Wetherbee) | 100.00 | 118.23 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 117.73 |
|  | Burr, William ............... | 100.00 | 104.75 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 105.25 |
| 10. Bush, H. Louis (See Johnson, Emerline A.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. | Chandler, Joseph E. . . . . . . . . . . . | 150.00 | 157.33 | 6.75 | 6.00 | 158.08 |
| 12. | Chaplin, William, Sr. | 100.00 | 105.78 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 105.78 |



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| 94. | Staples，Guy |
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| 95. | Stevens，William F |
| 96. | Stockwell，Ira |
| 97. | Stone，Bradley（See William A Cutler） |
| 98. | Stone，Charles B． |
| 99. | Stone，Edwin |
| 100. | Temple，John，and Edward F．Pratt |
| 101. | Towne，George L． |
| 102. | Turner，George C |
| 103. | Tuttle，Alonzo L． |
| 104. | Twitchell，Charles S． |
| 105. | Walcott，F．D． |
| 106. | Warren，A．Louise，and Simon Hosmer |
| 107. | Watson，Edith A． |
| 108. | West，Hugh |
| 109. | Wetherbee，Phineas |
| 110. | Wheeler，George |
| 111. | Wheler and Shattuck |
| 112. | Whitcomb，Bancroft |
| 113. | Whitcomb，Eliza 1. |
| 114. | Whitcomb，Granville E． |
| 115. | Whitcomb，J．H． |
| 116. | Whitcomb，N．Emery |
| 117. | Whitcomb and Preston |
| 118. | Whitney，Jerome B． |
| 119. | Willard，Henry |
|  | Woodward，Bixby |


|  | Wright, George C. | 100.00 | 133.90 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 133.40 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Wright, George C. (Davis Memorial) | 50.00 | 91.30 | 2.25 |  | 93.55 |
| 123. | Wright, George S. ........ | 200.00 | 216.65 | 9.00 | 7.00 | 218.65 |
| 124. | Wright, Joel | 100.00 | 119.90 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 119.90 |
| 125. | Wright, Marshall E. | 75.00 | 76.49 | 3.37 | 3.00 | 76.86 |
| 126. | Mead, George V. | 100.00 |  | 4.50 | 3.50 | 101.00 |
| 127. | Mills, James I. | 75.00 |  | 2.25 | 1.50 | 75.75 |
| 128. | Wetherbee, J. K. W. | 200.00 |  | 5.25 | 5.00 | 200.25 |
| 129. | Page, Harold L. | 100.00 |  | 2.25 | 2.00 | 100.25 |
| 130. | Ames, W. C. . . | 100.00 |  | 2.25 | 2.00 | 100.25 |
| 131. | Burroughs, Samuel R. | 100.00 |  | . 75 |  | 100.75 |
| 132. | Dyke, Ida F. ....... | 75.00 |  |  |  | 75.00 |
|  |  | \$13,362.70 | \$13,747.42 | \$584.73 | \$552.00 | \$14,530.15 |
| Luke Blanchard Fund accepted by special vote of the town, March 29, 1909 : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Jan. 1, } 1928 \end{gathered}$ | Income | Expended | On hand Dec. 31, 1928 |
|  | Luke Blanchard | \$500.00 | \$965.46 | \$22.50 | \$22.00 | \$965.96 |
|  | Simon Blanchard Tomb | 100.00 | 159.99 | 4.50 | 6.50 | 157.99 |
|  | Calvin and Luther Blanchard Memorial .................................... | 100.00 | 194.36 | 4.50 | .... | 198.86 |
|  |  | \$700.00 | \$1,319.81 | \$31.50 | \$28.50 | \$1,322.81 |

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :
I herewith submit my report of work done during the year ending December 31st, 1928 :

The following is a statement of the special work done in your town last year, outside of the ordinary maintenance, such as scraping, dragging, surface repairs and patching:

## CHAPTER 81

## WORK DONE OTHER THAN GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Surface treatment of $45 \%$ asphaltic oil applied on the following streets: Arlington, Central, Chadwick, Davis road, Davis terrace, Brooks, Liberty, Main, Maple, Martin, Nagog Hill, Pope, Prospect, Quimby, School (S. A.), School (W. A.), Stow, Strawberry Hill, Summer, Willow, High street, Newtown road, Wright terrace.

## OTHER WORK DONE

Concord street- 600 feet gravel.
High Street-700 feet gravel, 2,000 feet oil surface treated.
Sudbury Road-Relaid 65 feet, ten-inch corrugated iron pipe.
Conant Road-Installed 24 feet, twelve-inch corrugated iron pipe.

Martin Street-600 feet gravel.
Robbins Road-400 feet gravel.
School Street (S. A.) -Lowered catch basin, seven inches, relaid 40 feet, six-inch clay pipe.

Prospect Street-400 feet gravel, 200 feet oil surface treated.
Windsor Avenue-800 feet gravel.
Summer Street-800 feet oil surface treated.
Arlington Street-250 feet gravel.
Woodlawn Lane-Relaid 16 feet of two-foot by one foot, stone culvert.

Maple Avenue- 250 feet gravel.
Woodbury Lane-600 feet gravel.
Taylor Street-700 feet gravel.
Wetherbee Street-Relaid 25 feet, 18 -inch clay pipe. Installed 166 feet of 18 -inch corrugated iron pipe.

Harris Street-1100 feet gravel.
Quarry Road-Relaid 20 feet of one foot by one foot, stone culvert. Installed two 20 feet, 12 -inch corrugated iron pipe culverts.

Davis Road-200 feet gravel.
Esterbrook Road-425 feet gravel.
Pope Road- 400 feet gravel.
Hosmer Street-1,000 feet gravel.
School Street (S. A.) - 200 feet gravel.
Strawberry Hill Road- 300 feet gravel.
Surface treatment with tarvia B-Conant road, Massachusetts avenue, Pearl street and Windsor avenue.

CHAPTER 90
Laws Brook road-Gravel surfacing from Station 40 to Station 57, plus 50, 1,750 feet; re-location of portions of roadway to eliminate curves and increase vision; installation of 36 feet of 12 -inch re-inforced concrete pipe, 296 feet of 12 -inch clay pipe, and three concrete drop inlets; erection of 253.5 feet of wooden guard rail.

## SPECIAL WORK

School Street (S. A.) -Installation of two catchbasins, 24 feet of 12 -inch corrugated iron pipe and 20 feet of 12 -inch clay pipe (Village funds).

Church Street-200 feet gravel.
Kingsley Road-400 feet gravel (Village Funds).
Elm Street-800 feet gravel (Village Funds).
Nashoba Road- 850 feet gravel, with stone foundation. Funds from Village and Chapter 81. Stone for foundation, together with the team and men for delivering the stone onto the road, were given without any cost to the town, by Mr. A. R. Jenks.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. PERKINS, Superintendent of Streets.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

To the Board of Health :
Fees collected
$\$ 255.75$
Metropolitan calls ..................... 200
Town pay calls ......................... . . 204
Town non-pay calls . ................... . . 100
Child welfare .......................... 24
Pre-natal ................................. . 28
Social service ........................... 28
Respectfully submitted,
LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year ending
December 31, 1928 :
Arrests made:
Drunkenness ..... 5
Mlegal sale of liquor ..... 1
Suspicious persons ..... 1
Passing bad checks ..... 1
Manufacturing liquor ..... 1
Drunk and driving under influence ..... 2
Driving under influence, speeding, and failing to stop ..... 1
Illegal transportation of liquor ..... 4
Assault ..... 1
Breaking and entering ..... 2
Beggetting ..... 1
Neglected children warrant ..... 3
Arrests ..... 23
Returns from fines, $\$ 241.00$.
Respectfully submitted,
MICHAEL FOLEY,Chief of Police.

## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton: I herewith submit my report as inspector of animals for the year 1928 :
Milch cows ..... 365
Young cattle ..... 94
Bulls ..... 16
Swine ..... 321
Sheep ..... 5
Goats ..... 6
Stables ..... 120
Condemned for T. B. ..... 4
Respectfully submitted, FRED S. WHITCOMB,Inspector.

## REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen-Your forest warden submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1928:

Total number of fires responded to, 25.
The cost of extinguishing this year has been comparatively low, owing to the prompt response of the various companies, for which we take this opportunity of thanking them.

We are very much pleased to report a great reduction in the number of fires this year due largely, we believe, to the co-operation of the townspeople in removing fire hazards.
"Burn up that brush pile and the dead grass along the highway at the proper time and save property, time, and anxiety later on. Call on your forest warden if you want assistance; he may be able to help you."

Very few people are taking advantage of the fact that they can purchase trees from the State nurseries for re-foresting at a very reasonable price. We wish more would do so. Your forest warden has information regarding prices, etc.

In closing I beg to recommend that the sum of $\$ 500$ be appropriated for the extinguishing of forest fires and an additional sum of $\$ 500$ be appropriated for the purchase of three-quarter inch canvas hose, which can be used from our pumping engine for forest fires. Much time and labor can be saved by using this smaller hose and consequently better results can be obtained.

Respectfully submitted,
ALAN B. FROST, Forest Warden.

## REPORT INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

1928
Beef .................................................................. 5
Yeal .................................................................. 2
Hogs ................................................................. . . 36

## REPORT OF ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE

At the annual town meeting, March 12, 1928, it was voted: That the selectmen be authorized to make a new contract for electric street lighting for the best advantage of the town. Also that the selectmen be authorized to appoint a committee of three, one from each precinct, to assist them in the investigation of such new contract and that the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be appropriated to cover any necessary expense incurred.

Acting under this vote the selectmen appointed Mr. Stuart Allen, Mr. Arthur Blanchard and Mr. Frederick Burke to assist in this investigation. The chairman of the board of selectmen, Howard Billings, was elected chairman of this committee.

It became apparent at once upon consideration of this prohlem that we could only act on street lighting under this vote, but your committee decided that before entering into a new agreement for street lighting, it would be well to make a study of our house lighting rates, as well as our street lighting rates, as compared with other towns similarly situated. We first obtained a list of the number of customers in Acton, and the total amounts paid by each in 1927, which was as follows:

Customers paying:
Under \$10 ..... 118
\$10 but under \$11 ..... 20
11 but under 12 ..... 24
12 but under 13 ..... 11
13 but under 14 ..... 22
14 but under 15 ..... 17
15 but under 20 ..... 87
20 but under 25 ..... 77
25 but under 30 ..... 55
30 but under 35 ..... 65
35 but under 40 ..... 57
40 but under 45 ..... 30
45 but under 50 ..... 19
50 but under 55 ..... 31
55 but under 60 ..... 13
60 but under 65 ..... 19
65 but under 70 ..... 8
70 but under 75 ..... 13
75 but under 80 ..... 4
80 but under 90 ..... 8
90 but under 100 ..... 7
100 but under 200 ..... 13


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As you will no doubt recall during the spring of 1928, many public utility companies were investigated by the Department of Public Utilities and forced to cut their electric lighting and power rates. We obtained the new rates of several of these companies and the following is a typical example of these rates:

Investment charge. This pays for no electricity; 80c per month for home-floor area of 1,000 square feet, or less; plus 7e per 100 square feet of floor area over 1,000 square feet, plus an electricity charge of $61 / 2$ c per K. W. H. for the first 50 K . W. H., or hours per month, and $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per K. W. H. for all electricity over 50 K. W. H. per month. Discount, $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per K. W. H. on or before discount date on the bill.

In studying these rates, of which the above is an average example, including the Edison Company rates, it became apparent that 299 out of our 725 customers would pay more for their electric lighting with these rates than they are now paying. Such a charge would benefit the larger users of current in our town, but react to the disadvantage of those families who find it necessary to economize on lighting, which obviously would not be a desirable change.

Our street lighting rates were found to compare favorably with those of other towns buying electricity from public utility companies, but are higher than the published costs of lighting in towns like Littleton, where the town owns the equipment and buys its power at the source.

Under the law we as a town have a right to buy the equipment at its appraisal value and go into the electric lighting business, but in so doing much of the equipment in our homes as well as on the transmission lines would be a total loss in changing: to 60 -cycle current.

This is the second or third time a committee has been appointed by the town of Acton to investigate the electric light or electric current situation. None of these committees have accomplished a great deal, although this last committee did not have as much authority as the others, because this last committee had only to do with the street lighting situation.

It is the opinion of this committee that no future committee can accomplish a great deal, because of the use of 40 cycles in our territory; therefore, your committee recommends that a permanent committee be appointed with authority to act at the opportune moment in forming a municipal company to furnish the town of Acton with electric current under 60-cycle operation.

We realize that such action will make a higher rate both for the town and the consumers in the town for a period of years, but
in the end it will save money for all concerned for the reason that every piece of apparatus used with a 40 -cycle current costs anywhere from 10 to $25 \%$ more than the 60 -cycle apparatus, and the longer such action is put off the greater will be the cost of the change, because of the greater load as time goes on.

Again, with 60 -cycle current, there is a possibility of competition in existing rates and points of supply, while with the 40 -cycle situation there is no competition and the public utilities is the only factor that holds the situation in check, and that can be considerably camouflaged because of the interlocking of costs with those of the Maynard electric light supply and the American Woolen Mills.

This last mentioned phase of our electric lighting problem is one which should be given serious consideration by the town.

After several meetings, at which the foregoing details were discussed, your committee met with the officials of the American Woolen Company, in an effort to obtain a better street lighting rate, if possible, before entering into a new contract.

The company officials were firm in their refusal to reduce rates and said that they were willing to go before the Public Utilities, if necessary, to justify their present rates. In consequence of this interview we asked the American Woolen Company to furnish us street lighting for a year from the expiration of the old contract, according to the terms of that contract, in order that we might bring the whole matter before the town at our next annual town meeting. In reply to this request Mr. Ramsey, acting for the American Woolen Company, wrote the following letter:

## (Copy)

August 9, 1928.
Mr. H. J. Billings, Chairman,
Board of Selectmen, Town of Acton, Acton, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Billings-The company are willing to comply with your original request made about the time of the expiration of your lighting contract, that street lighting be furnished the Town of Acton for a year from the expiration of the old contract without the formality of signing a new one.

The rates will be those which have been approved by the Department of Public Utilities. The service will be the same as under the previous contract, except that we will cause the lights to be lighted fifteen minutes after sunset instead of at sunset, which will be the new arrangement at Maynard. As the lights are on the same circuit, it will be difficult to handle them separately for Acton.

We will make any reasonable extensions or removals in connection with this street lighting but, should the
town decide to use ornamental street lighting or ask an unreasonable extension of the lines for several lights, we would expect you to sign a contract, which would result in the company getting its money back on this particular portion of the street lighting system. Any ordinary extensions or slight changes we shall be very glad to make at your request.

It is our belief that this arrangement will be mutually satisfactory.
We accepted this arrangement for one year and the selectmen will be guided by your action at this annual meeting as to whether this arrangement should be continued or other action taken.

The selectmen wish to thank Mr. Allen, Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Burke for their valued assistance in this investigation.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD J. BILLINGS,
Chairman.

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE

The town of Acton appropriated $\$ 300$ in support of the Middlesex County Extension Service through the trustees for County Aid to Agriculture for 1928. The following is a report of the work accomplished during the year.

In agriculture five poultry meetings were held, with an attendance of 254 . One meeting on the subject of soils and crops with an attendance of sixteen, and two dairy meetings for Acton and surrounding towns were held, with an attendance of seventythree. A pruning meeting for the interest of orchard men was held on the farm of C. E. Willett, with an attendance of eighteen. All farmers interested in poultry, dairying, and orcharding received circular letters during the year, giving timely suggestions. At the time of the Acton fair, judges were furnished for several of the departments and also an exhibit was put on; showing some of the recommendations that were being made to assist farmers. Eighty-four individual farm visits were made during the year on request to help with different problems.

In homemaking a total of eighty-six women attended the groups that were held. These groups held their meetings in North Acton, South Acton and West Acton. Mrs. Alden Flagg is
the president in the North Acton unit; Mrs. John Holland, vicepresident; Mrs. Andrew Phillips, secretary; Mrs. Stuart Allen and Mrs. Charles Willett are the leaders. In South Acton, Mrs. Carl Flint is the president; Mrs. Elwyn Harris, vice-president; Mrs. Elwin Young, secretary; Mrs. Walter Tucker and Mrs. Charles Reiner, leaders. In West Acton the groups have been conducted at the Neighborhood club meetings. Leaders for this group are Mrs. William J. Scanlon and Mrs. Ada M. Durkee.

A series of five home improvement meetings were held in each of these communities. As a result, homemakers have reported that many improvements in kitchens have been made, which include the re-arrangement of equipment to save steps, better cupboard and storage space, re-finishing of floors, walls, ceilings, and woodwork, and the raising of tables and sinks to the heights of the worker.

The nutrition program consisted of a series of four meetings. The homemakers report that their meal planning problems have been simplified and that they now realize the healthful value of milk, fruits, vegetables, whole grain products, and water.

The homemakers in these units have passed on what they have learned to 247 others who could not attend the meetings.

This fall, these units are carrying on a clothing program of four meetings to discuss line and design in dress and short-cuts in garment finishes.

In boys' and girls' 4 -H club work, ninety-two were enrolled in garden, canning, poultry, food, and clothing clubs. Mrs. R. Stoney, Mr. Charles Edney, and four junior leaders assisted in the work. James Edney represented the county at Camp Field, Brockton fair. Annie Bulette won honorable mention in the cotton school dress contest for the county. Porter Jenks, Annie Bulette and David Young were awarded a two-day trip to the Massachusetts Agricultural college for doing outstanding club work.

Assistance was given the Acton fair in putting on the Boys' and Girls' club exhibit.

Eight educational motion picture shows were given in the town to a total attendance of 1225.

In addition to the local work mentioned above, the citizens of the town had an opportunity to attend the county-wide meetings in the interest of various phases of agriculture and homemaking.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Accessions: No of volumes in the library, January 1, 1928, 17,894 (including 630 of town official books not previously counted).

Increase by purchase, 280. Increase by gift, 80. Total increase, 990.

Number of volumes in the library, January 1, 1929, 18,254.
Circulation: Number of days the library was open, 100.
Number of volumes circulated, 11,164 . Largest daily circulation, 199, July 7. Smallest daily circulation, 59, on December 22. Daily average circulation, 111 plus.

Received from library fines, and old books and maga-
zines sold \$ 59.88
Expended for postage .................................. 1.38
Paid to town treasurer ............................... \$58.50
Gifts of books have been received from the following sources: U. S. Government, 2; State of Massachusetts, 8 ; Interstate Commerce Commission, 1; Acorn Press, 1; Baha Committee, 1; William J. Batt, 1; Robert M. Bowen, 41; Mrs. J. M. Brown, 3; William Edmonds, 1; George B. Parker, 4; Benjamin Pope, 12 ; John Richardson, 1; E. E. Smith, 1; Society for Cancer Control, 1; Sweedenborgian Society, 1; A. O. Taylor, 1; total, 80 volumes.

ARTHUR F. DAVIS, Librarian.

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JB155 ${ }^{\circ}$
JB239ad
JB239co
JB2391p
JB2891s
JB4712c
JB786h
JB8774t

| Burtis, T.-Russ Farrell, airman | JB973rb |
| :---: | :---: |
| Byington, E.-Doll land stories | JB993d |
| Cheyney, E. G.-Matu, the Iroquois | JC531m |
| Chrisman, A. B.-The wind that wouldn't blow | JC556w |
| Cobb, B. E. and E.-Pennie | JC6531p |
| Dasent, G. W.-East o' the sun and west o' the moon | JD2292e |
| Davis, M. M.-Dr. Pete of the Sierras | JD2631d |
| Dearborn, F. R.-How the Indians lived | J9D285h |
| Jonahey, M. D.-Marty Lu's treasure | JD674ma |
| Dudley, A. T.-At the home plate | JD847a |
| Dudley, A. T.-Making the nine | JD847m |
| Dudley, A. T.-With mask and mitt | JD847w |
| Eaton, W. P.-Hawkeye's roommate | JE14h |
| Gask, L.-All about animals | JG248a |
| Hill, H. and Maxwell, V.-Charlie and his friends | JH6462c |
| Hinkle, T. C.-Trueboy | JH663t |
| Holmes, B. (Ed.)-Burton travel stories-Japan | JH749bu |
| Holmes, B. (Ed.)-Burton travel stories-Egypt | JH749b |
| Hooker, F. C.-Prince Jan St. Bernard | JH783p |
| Jacobs, A. M.-Knights of the wing | JJ17k |
| Jay, M. F.-Rag house tales | JJ42r |
| June, C. S.-Rosy face twins | JJ95r |
| Justus, M.-Betty Loa of Big Log Mountain | JJ96b |
| Lofting, H.-Doctor Doolittle in the moon | JL829do |
| Macdonald,M.-Found treasure | JM1357f |
| McElroy, M. J. and Younge, J. O.-The squirrel tree | J M1412s |
| McGowan, A.-The trail of the little wagon | JM146t |
| Mathiews, F. K. (Ed.)-The Boy Scouts year book | JM431bp |
| Meigs, C.-Master Simon's garden | JM5121m |
| Meigs, C.-The wonderful locomotive | JM5121w |
| Milne, A. A.-The house at Pooh corner | JM659h |
| Mirriam, I. C.-Knowledge Primer games | JM671k |
| Perkins, L. F.-The farm twins | JP449fa |
| Perkins, L. F.-The pioneer twins | JP449pi |
| Rhoades, N.-The adventures of Joan | JR474a |
| Rhoades, N.-The children on the top floor | JR474c |
| Rhoades, N.-The independence of Nan | JR474i |
| Rhoades, N.-Little Queen Esther | JR4741 |
| Rhoades, N.-Masie's Merry Christmas | JR474ma |
| Rhoades, N.-Making Mary Lizzie happy | JR474mb |
| Rhoades, N.-The other Sylvia | JR4740t |
| Rhoades, N.-A real Cinderella | JR474re |
| Rhoades, N.-Winifred's neighbors | JR474w |
| Rowe, D.-The moon's birthday | JR878m |
| Seaman, A. H.-Bluebonnet bend | JS438b |
| Seaman, A. H.-The crimson patch | JS438c |
| Silvers, E. R.-Barry goes to college | JS587ba |
| Smith, L. R.-Comical circus stories | JS653e |
| Smith, L. R.-Jolly Polly and Curly Tail | JS653j |
| Smith, L. R.-The tale of Curly Tail | JS653ta |

Smith, L. R.-Fifty funny animal stories ..... J5653f
Smith, N. A.-A truly little girl ..... JS6551t
Snell, R. J.-Strange land bird life ..... JS671s
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Theiss, L. E.-Keepers of the sea ..... JT376k
Theiss, L. E.-Piloting the air mail ..... JT376p
Theiss, L. E.-The search for the lost mail plane ..... JT376se
'Tomlinson, E. T.-Three boys in Alaska ..... JT659th
VanDeusen, E. K.-Picturesque Porto Rico stories and poems ..... JV247p
Varble, R. M.-The red cape ..... JV287r
Washburn, Jr. B.-Bradford on Mt. Washington ..... JW314b
Wheeler, F. R.-The Aztec hunters ..... JW562a
Wheeler, F. R.-The gem hunters ..... JW562g
Wheeler, F. R.-Hunters of the ocean depths ..... JW562h
Wheeler, F. R.-The monster hunters ..... JW562m
Wheeler, F. R.-The News hunters ..... JW562n
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Wheeler, F. R.-The Tusk hunters ..... JW562t
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## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## School Department

OF THE

## TOWN OF ACTON

MASSACHUSETTS ${ }^{\circ}$

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,
1928


## ORGANIZATION

## School Committee

Spencer H. Taylor, chairman
Mrs. Lulu L. Clark
Mrs. Alice Carlisle
Frank Toohey
Mrs. Oliver Wood
Edgar H. Hall

Term expires 1929
Term expires 1929
Term expires 1930
Term expires 1930
Term expires 1931
Term expires 1931

## Superintendent

Charles W. Lawrance, So. Acton, Mass.
Telephone 45

Attendance Officers
Miss Lillian Frost
North Acton

## School Physician

Dr. E. A. Mayell

School Nurse
Lillian Frost
North Acton

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

First short term begins January 2, 1929.
First short term ends February 18, 1929.
Second short term begins February 22, 1929.
Second short term ends April 15, 1929.
Third short term begins April 29, 1929.
Third short term ends June 21, 1929.

## 1927-1928

Fall term begins September 4, 1929.
Thanksgiving-School closes Nov. 27, 1929 and reopens Dec. 1, 1929.

Fall term ends December 20, 1929.
First short term begins January 6, 1930.

## Legal Holidays

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, July 4, first Monday of September, October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (the day following when any of the first five days mentioned, the 12th of October, or Christmas occurs on Sunday).

Arbor Day falls on the last Saturday in April, and is not a legal holiday.

Flag Day falls on June 14, and is not a legal holiday. It should be observed by proper exercises by any school in session on that day.

## STANDING RULES

Rule 1. Children shall not be admitted to the public schools until they are six years of age, excepting that children who are six by the first of January following opening of school in September, may be admitted with the approval of the superintendent of schools.

Rule 2. Pupils shall be promoted from grade to grade and school to school according to merit. Thorough and satisfactory work will be required of pupils in a lower grade or school before entering a higher grade or school.

Rule 3. Children who have not previously attended any school shall be admitted to the public schools only at the beginning of the fall term, unless qualified in the opinion of the teacher and superintendent of schools to do the work.

Rule 4. Pupils shall be held responsible for books loaned to them until returned to the teacher.

Rule 5 . No repairs shall be made upon the public property in the care of the School Committee except by their authorized agents.

Rule 6. There shall be no signal for "no school" on stormy or inclement days, but parents shall determine in their individual cases whether it is expedient to send their children to school or not.

Rule 7. Schools in the different grade school buildings shall be five and one-quarter hours long, and in the high school building shall be six hours long. In the high school building the six hours shall include one 10 -minute recess, one thirty-minute recess for lunch and a compulsory tutoring period of thirty minutes for all students not receiving passing grades in any subject. Students in the high school building, whose grades are above passing in all subjects may be excused from this compulsory tutoring period. Primary rooms in the grade school buildings shall have
an outdoor recess each afternoon; other rooms shall have a recess of sufficient length to allow pupils to go to basements. Deviation from these hours shall be made only with the consent of the superintendent, and shall be reported by him to the school committee at its next monthly meeting.

Rule 8. Doors shall not be opened before principals arrive. Pupils may be allowed to come to their rooms with the permission of their room teachers, and pupils coming in barges may enter the basements, if weather conditions make it advisable.

Rule 9. The fire drill shall be given at least once in two weeks.

Teachers in Service, December 31, 1928
Center School:

Teacher
Marion Towne
Edith Taylor
Caroline Chase

App. Where Educated Home Address 1921 Smith
1927 Wheelock
1928 Bridgewater

Concord
Littleton
New Bedford

South School:

Julia McCarthy
Dorothy Glazier
Elsie Dickerman
Florence Merriam

1906 Fitehburg Nor.
1928 Fitchburg Normal
1906 Fitchburg Normal
1927 Framingham Nor.

South Acton
Fitchburg Ayer
South Acton

## West School

Margery Stearns
Madeline Allard
Harriette Chace

1925 Fitchburg Normal
1928 Lowell Normal
1928 Bridgewater Nor.

West Acton
Lowell
Fall River

High School Building:

| Ella Miller | 1899 | Framingham Nor. | Acton |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Florice Fernald | 1927 | Mt. Holyoke | Arlington |
| Helen Murray | 1928 | Tufts College | N. Attleboro |
| Elsie Bixby | 1927 | Framingham Nor. | Woodville |
|  |  | Boston Univ. |  |
| Marion Fuller | 1928 | Wheaton | Walpole |
| Thelma Eaton | 1928 | Boston Univ. | Waltham |
| Edith Damon | 1928 | Mt. Holyoke | Gardner |
| Edith Ames | 1928 | Simmons | Littleton |
| Walter Holt | 1928 | Dartmonth | Ashburnham |
| John Hough | 1927 | Colgate | Ayer |
| Chas. W. Lawrence | 1925 | Mass. Inst. Tech. | South Acton |

## Supervisors:

Music : Mr. Elmer Pierce, Gardner, Mass.
Drawing: Miss Marion Ray, Leominster, Mass.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## To the Voters of Acton:

The School Committee presents herewith its annual report for the fiscal year 1928, and its requirements for the year 1929. The reports of the Superintendent and Supervisors are approved and attached herewith.

The new appropriation is expected to cover the cost of maintaining the third teacher in Acton Center School and the increase in the transportation due to the three year contract signed last September.

A new teacher was added to the staff at Acton Center to relieve the situation, where a large increase in attendance made it very difficult for two teachers to satisfactorily carry the work. A number of new books have been put into the hands of the pupils from Grade I to VIII. The School Department has brought the elementary school buildings to a higher state of repair and has improved teaching conditions. Further details about repairs may be found in the financial report and the superintendent's report.

The Committee has insured the High School building anci contents for the sum of $\$ 88,000.00$ at a premium of $\$ 970.01$ for three years, by taking advantage of the 80 percent insurance clause. It was found that this insurance could be written for more face value of policy and at less premium expense to the town, by insuring the building in this manner instead of for $\$ 75,000$ previously specified. Otherwise the Town of Acton would have had to become co-insurers, with insurance of less face value of insurance $(\$ 75,000)$ and expend more in premium payment. The present insurance is more advantageous to the town from all three of these points.

The School Committee has found it advisable and practically necessary to go out of the transportation business because it was found that as a town agency it was practically impossible to obtain adequate insurance to protect the children. This protection can be obtained by operating the busses by private individuals or a corporation. The Committee therefore disposed of the busses to Mr. A. W. Davis of West Acton for cash and made a contract with him for transportation for the next three years

Through a clerical error in reporting the transportation balance it was believed necessary to have the money from the sale of busses reappropriated to the school committee. It has since been found not to be needed, and the money is returned to the treasury.

The following table shows the amounts received by the Town Treasurer for the reduction of taxes (with correction in 1927):

| Mass. School Fund | 1928 | 1927 | 1926 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Part I | \$3740.00 | \$4360.00 | \$3801.50 |
| Part II | 2978.41 | 1227.92 | none |
| State Wards and miscel. | 276.43 | 439.62 | 528.89 |
| Total from State | \$6994.84 | \$6027.54 | \$4330.39 |
| Out of Town Tuitions* | 2010.56 | 1927.40 | 128.00 |
| Grand Total | \$9005.40 | \$7954.94 | \$4458.39 |
| *Towns of Boxboro, | rd, Carl | and p | ie |
| The School Committee are glad to report that the 1928 accounts are closed with a balance. <br> Respectfully submitted, <br> SPENCER TAYLOR, <br> Chairman Acton School Committee. |  |  |  |
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ESTIMATES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS FOR THEFISCAL YEAR 1929
FOR GENERAL EXPENSES
Salaries and other expenses of the Superin- tendent and Truant Officers ..... \$2,340.00
Clerk for Superintendent ..... 660.00
Salaries for Teachers ..... 27,600.00
Text Books ..... 1,000.00
Supplies ..... 700.00
Janitors wages, fuel and misc. operating expenses ..... 6,800.00
Repairs ..... 1,200.00
Transportation ..... 3,450.00
Health, Aux. Agencies ..... 250.00
Unclassified ..... 1,000.00

# SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1928 

GENERAL CONTROL
Salaries and other expenses of superinten-dent and truant officers, clerk\$3,088.06
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION
Salaries, Supervisors, Teachers:
High School and elementary ..... \$26,785.67
Text books, high school ..... 472.73
Text books, elementary ..... 1,100.33
Stationery and supplies, high school ..... 477.92
Stationery and supplies, elementary ..... 687.16
Total instruction ..... $\$ 29,523.81$
EXPENSES OF OPERATION
Wages of janitor, high school building ..... \$1,300.00
Fuel, high school ..... 687.48
Miscellaneous ..... 1,004.50
Total High School Building ..... \$2,991.98

|  | Center | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Janitor | \$640.00 | \$760.00 | \$768.00 |
| Fuel | 301.13 | 656.80 | 325.81 |
| Misc. Op. | 86.16 | 120.84 | 147.84 |
| Blg. Tot | ,027.29 | 537. |  |

Total Elementary Operating ..... $\$ 3,806.58$
Total Operating High School and Elementary ..... \$6,798.56
Maintenance and Repairs:
High School ..... $\$ 522.66$
Center South West
Elem.$\$ 288.10 \quad \$ 533.43 \quad \$ 216.87$
Total Elementary Repairs ..... \$1,038.40
Total Repairs ..... \$1,561.06
AUXILIARY
Health ..... \$200.00
Transportation ..... 2,595.21
Outlays H. S. Drain Special ..... 208.08
Unclassified ..... 9.92
Total expended ..... \$43,984.70
Unexpended balance ..... 415.30
Appropriation, March, 1928 ..... $\$ 44,000.00$Appropriation, November, 1928400.00
Totals ..... \$44,400.00

# PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1928 

## GENERAL CONTROL

Superintendent salary ..... \$2,000.00
Superintendent, clerk hire ..... 781.50
Superintendent, travel expenses ..... 158.62
Total ..... \$2,940.12
OFFICE EXPENSES AND ENFORCEMENT OF LAW
C. W. Lawrence, office expenses ..... \$3.10
Finney \& Hoit, office supplies ..... 3.40
John Pederson, delivering supplies ..... 1.00
W. B. Currier, stamps ..... 32.00
Mass. Child Labor Assn., pamphlets, labor laws ..... 4.00
Webster Publishing Co. ..... 6.15
Daniel MacDougal, census ..... 30.00
J. L. Hammett, office supplies ..... 8.40
Wright \& Potter Printing Co., office supplies ..... 8.16
New England Tel. \& Tel. Co., telephones. ..... 51.73
Supervisor's salary, music ..... $\$ 277.00$
Supervisor's salary, drawing ..... 450.00
Total ..... \$727.00
Principal high, salary ..... \$1,500.00
Teachers salary, high school ..... 9,496.17
Teachers salary, elementary ..... 15,070.50
Total ..... $\$ 26,066.67$
Total salaries for instruction ..... \$26,793.67
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION TEXTS BOOKS ..... (HIGH)
Allyn \& Bacon, high school texts ..... \$127.60
Edward E. Babb \& Co. high texts books ..... 58.80
American Book Co. high texts books ..... 3.07
Oliver Ditson ..... 30.05
Ginn and Company ..... 90.02
Rand \& McNally ..... 9.88
Benj. H. Sanborn \& Co. ..... 15.14
Harper \& Brothers ..... 2.94
Scott Foresman \& Co. .....  50
Charles Scribner Sons ..... 2.15
Harvard University Press ..... 2.50
F. T. Welch, bookbinding ..... 78.83
Iroquois Publishing Co. ..... 25.20
Gregg Publishing Co. ..... 8.80
D. C. Heath ..... 7.69
The MacMillan Co. ..... 9.81
Thelma Eaton ..... 1.75
TEXTS BOOKS-ELEMENTARY
Ginn \& Company, Language books, etc. ..... \$201.93
Mass. Tuberculosis League ..... 3.00
Row, Peterson \& Co. ..... 3.40
Scott, Foresman \& Co., Arith. books, etc. ..... 269.80
Warwick \& York ..... 16.45
Iroquois Publishing Co. ..... 21.26
American Book Co. ..... 51.54
Lyons \& Carnahan ..... 2.00
Charles E. Merril \& Co. ..... 58.16
Benj. Sanborn \& Co. ..... 18.93
Ye Old Towne Shop ..... 1.20
The MacMillan Company, Readers ..... 165.06
J. B. Taylor ..... 29.09
Edward E. Babb Co. ..... 5.92
Laurel Book Company ..... 18.27
Silver Burdett \& Company ..... 13.35
World Book Company ..... 1.84
Rand \& McNally Company ..... 1.89
D. C. Heath \& Co. ..... 46.75
Charles Scribners \& Sons, Literature books ..... 131.01
F. T. Welch Bookbinding ..... 32.25
Houghton \& Mifflin ..... 7.23

\$1,100.33
Total texts books\$1,573.06
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-HIGH
The Office Appliance Company ..... \$10.14
J. L. Hammett Co., paper, pencils, miscel. ..... 151.48
American Council on Education, supplies ..... 9.00
A. W. Davis Company, supplies ..... 3.96
Finney \& Hoit, office supplies ..... 13.30
Ryan \& Buker, Inc. ..... 17.80
William B. Holt, supplies, wire ..... 2.50
Hazel Hooper, high school music ..... 5.00
Kenney Bros. \& Wolkins, supplies ..... 51.58
Gregg Publishing Co., supplies ..... 12.13
School Service Co., forms, paper, etc. ..... 43.25
W. H. Claflin \& Co. ..... 16.00
Edward E. Babb \& Co., supplies ..... 30.14
Ginn and Company, supplies ..... 13.87
Southwestern Publishing Co., supplies ..... 35.62
J. A. MacPherson, supplies ..... 11.83
Murphy \& Snyder Printers, science paper ..... 9.75
Sanderson's, Maynard, supplies ..... 1.45
Carl Fischer, music ..... 2.45
Laidlaw Bros., music ..... 8.79
Educational Music Bureau, music ..... 8.24
C. C. Birchard, music ..... 19.64
Total high school ..... \$477.92
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-ELEM.
Milton Bradley Company, drawing sup- plies, etc. ..... \$129.50
A. W. Davis, supplies ..... 10.96
A. N. Palmer Company, wall blackboards ..... 21.19
Wheeler Publishing Company, rapid chart printers ..... 7.66
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 16.75
Iroquois Publishing Co., supplies ..... 17.78
Ryan \& Buker, Inc., supplies ..... 17.81
J. L. Hammett Company, paper, pencils, miscellaneous ..... 284.91
Massachusetts State Prison, floor brushes, etc. ..... 20.55
The MacMillan Company, supplies ..... 1.68
World Book Co., charts ..... 1.27
Scott, Foresman \& Co., supplies ..... 17.90
School Service Co., supplies ..... 21.87
W. H. Claflin \& Co., supplies ..... 24.00
Barnes \& Noble, supplies ..... 8.82
Webster Publishing Co. ..... 2.15
Daniel MacDougal, Trans. of supplies ..... 9.50
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 1.10
J. A. MacPherson, supplies ..... 12.21
Kenney Bros. \& Wolkins, supplies ..... 4.70
Benj. Sanborn Co., supplies ..... 7.39
Ginn \& Company, music books ..... 6.46
Theron Newton, supplies ..... 90
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., supplies ..... 20
Edward E. Babb Co., supplies ..... 39.90
Total Elementary\$687.16Total Expenses of Instruction\$29,523.81

## OPERATION EXPENSES (HIGH SCHOOL) BUILDING

## Janitors, Fuel and Miscellaneous

Wages of janitor, high school ..... \$1,300.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 555.08
George Hayward, trucking, coal, etc. ..... 6.15
Hall Brothers Co., wood ..... 76.00
South Acton Woolen Co., coal ..... 50.25Total\$1,987.48
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses (High)
American Woolen Co., light ..... \$151.56
American Woolen Co., power ..... 123.72
J. L. Hammett, supplies ..... 234.15
Fuelite Natural Gas Co. ..... 154.80
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 9.03
Maynard Drug Co., bulb ..... 4.00
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 72
Strong \& Tracy, supplies ..... 40
West and South Water district ..... 36.43
Masury Young Company, floor oil mops, etc. ..... 28.75
O. F. Nelson, bleacher, labor and supplies ..... 40.60
A. W. Davis, supplies, varnishes, misc ..... 101.84
Vannah Lithograph Co., diplomas ..... 35.50
William H. Holt, supplies ..... 9.62
Hall Brothers Co., lumber ..... 5.88
J. W. Livermore, trucking ..... 6.00
Jordan Marsh Co. ..... 2.40
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 1.00
R. H. Austin, repair battery \& clock ..... 19.44
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., pipe ..... 4.00
F. T. Welch, rebinding ..... 1.25
Acton Agricultural Association, gas ..... 7.00
Commissioner of public safety, boiler in- spection ..... 5.00
J. T. McNiff ..... 3.00
J. A. MacPherson, hardware supplies ..... 15.61
Acton Drug Co., acid ..... 2.80

| Janitors, Fuel |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Center (1) | South (2) | West (3) |
| Janitors | \$640.00 | \$760.00 | \$768.00 |


| Fuel, coalWood | 255.13 | 617.60 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 46.00 | 39.20 |
|  | \$941.13 | 1,416.80 |


| American Woolen Co., light | $\begin{gathered} \text { Center } \\ \$ 22.08 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { South } \\ & \$ 36.40 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { West } \\ & \$ 32.71 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. L. Hammett Co., supplies | 10.96 | 21.02 | 14.50 |
| A. W. Davis, supplies |  |  | 41.63 |
| J S. Moore, supplies |  | 1.47 |  |
| A. N. Hederstedt, supplies .... |  |  | . 39 |
| South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. |  | . 26 |  |
| Finney \& Hoit |  | 5.36 |  |
| J. A. MacPherson Co., supplies | 80 | 3.50 | 80 |
| West \& South Water District | 20.86 | 12.36 | 12.00 |
| Masury Young Co., soap, floor oil, janitors supplies | 16.46 | 16.47 | 16.46 |
| Theron F. Newton, care of building during summer |  | 5.00 |  |
| George Little, care of building during summer | 5.00 |  |  |
| H. B. Butler, sawing wood .... | 9.50 | 14.50 | 9.50 |
| Laffin's Express | . 50 | . 50 | . 50 |
| E. E. Grey Co., supplies |  |  | 35 |
| Thomas F. Parker |  | 4.00 |  |
| F. W. Green |  |  | 10.00 |
| Alfred D. Holt |  |  | 4.00 |
| John Evans, helping at West School |  |  | 5.00 |
|  | \$86.16 | \$120.84 | \$147.84 |
| Total |  |  | \$354.84 |

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS-HIGH SCHOOL
E. Z. Stanley, furnace repairs ..... \$15.20
Nelson Tenney, radiators, etc. ..... 54.05
Chandler Barbor Co., door check repairs ..... 10.42
William B. Holt ..... 3.83
Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber and hardware ..... 31.02
A. Johnson, sharpening lawn mower ..... 1.00
Roy Jones, labor ..... 72.80
Martin Duggan, labor ..... 39.55
Edwin Costello, labor ..... 22.75
Herbert Evans, labor ..... 29.75
Charles E. Smith, labor ..... 51.18
Albert E. Sims, labor ..... 5.95
J. A. MacPherson, hardware ..... 20.45
A. J. Wilkinson \& Co., hardware ..... 148.98
E. P. Gates ..... 1.00
Massachusetts Reformatory, chair repairs ..... 12.00
A. W. Davis ..... 2.73
Total ..... $\$ 522.66$
MAINTENANCE-ELEMENTARY
Charles E. Smith, coalbin, fence, misc. ..... \$312.77
Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 25.30
A. Merriam Co., seats ..... 6.00
O. D. Wood, carpentry work ..... 18.00
L. T. Fullonton, ceilings and misc. ..... 155.90
Hall Brothers, posts and lumber ..... 17.64
E. Z. Stanley, furnace pipes and grates ..... 97.46
Albert E. Sims, toilet and ventilation ..... 373.41
Thomas F. Parker ..... 4.76
Ed. Jewett, cement work ..... 10.50
M. E. Taylor ..... 8.50
A. W. Davis Co. ..... 8.16
Total\$1,038.40
Health
High School:
Ernest Mayell ..... $\$ 50.00$
Flementary:
Ernest Mayell ..... 150.00
Total ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transportation Jan. 1, 1928, to Sept. 1, 1928
PRECINCT 1
Driver, O. M. Swanson ..... \$342.00
Storage, O. M. Swanson ..... 48.00
Gas, oil and repairs:
J. T. McNiff, repairs ..... \$3.75
O. M. Swanson, gas and oil ..... 85.66
Arthur's Acton Garage, repairs ..... 9.50
98.91
Total Transportation, Precinct 1, Jan. to Sept.$\$ 488.91$
PRECINCT 2
Drivers:
Paul Olsen ..... \$306.00
Lovell Bus Line, special ..... 150.00Storage:
Paul Olsen ..... $\$ 48.00$
Gas, oil and repairs:
Gately Motor Co., repairs ..... \$87.78
Fletcher Corner Filling Station ..... 42.02
Herbert Nealy, repairs ..... 90.00
Hewett's Tire Shop ..... 2.50
$\$ 48.00$
Total Transportation, Pct. 2, Jan. to Sept. ..... \$726.30
Transportation Sept. 1, 1928, to Dec. 31, ..... 1928
Special Contract:
A. W. Davis (four months) ..... \$1,380.00Total: Transportation Fiscal Year\$2,595.21
Outlays
Labor on high school drain:
Tim Moynihan, labor ..... \$4.00
Jesse Briggs, labor ..... 3.25
Norman Perkins, labor ..... 3.50
Raymond Perkins, labor ..... 3.50
A. H. Perkins, labor ..... 6.00
Hall Brothers, lumber ..... 38.76
A. W. Davis, supplies ..... 40.39
John Evans, septic tank labor ..... 13.75
Albert E. Sims, septic tank labor ..... 68.93
Ed. F. Jewett, septic tank labor ..... 26.00
Total ..... \$208.08
Unclassified
City of Waltham, tuition ..... \$9.92
Total ..... \$9.92
Total outlays, etc. ..... $\$ 218.00$
Total expended fiscal year\$43,984.70

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Voters of the Town of Acton: It is again an honor to present my report, the third report as Superintendent of Schools and the fourth as Principal of the Acton High School.

The year has been one of marked progress in many lines in the Elementary Schools and in the High School.

In the Elementary Schools the curricula and work are beginning to be knit together, grade by grade in each of the buildings. Marked improvement has followed the introduction of our reading text books and new arithmetic and language text books, during the past two years. In the seventh and eighth grades the work is developing along the lines outlined by the State and the leading Educators throughout the country. The High School continues to do effective work in spite of the heavy turnover of Teachers.

One of the important items to report progress on is revision and development of the School Curriculum. It is planned to broaden the high school curriculum to provide better educational opportunities for the non-college going student. The elementary school curriculum is being revised gradually as new units of the Massachusetts State course of study are made available to us. The loyal support of the elementary and high school Teachers has made progress in curriculum development much more rapid. It is safe to state that Acton's schools are abreast of the great majority of the schools of the State in almost all subjects of classroom instruction.

One of the most acute school problems confronting the Town of Acton is the too rapid "turnover" of teachers. In the past year this has been particularly true in the staff at the high school and the West Acton school building. Acton suffers too much from the difficulty common to many small towns, namely its schools are training grounds for the larger towns and cities. With rapid change of teacher personnel there is an inevitable break in the continuity of efficient instruction until the inexperienced teacher has mastered the art of teaching, and of class room management, and learned how to achieve the aims and objectives outlined in the course of instruction. Under such conditions the pupils too often suffer seriously in their progress. One remedy which will help to relieve this situation, and keep our good teachers with us for a longer time is the paying of higher salaries to the elementary and intermediate school teachers and even to the high school teachers. Such an increase should put us on a salary basis with our surrounding towns. A more stable staff will minimize the loss in educational progress to the school children.

During the year the following teachers resigned from the School Department: Mr. Richard Hood, Mr. L. Ashley Rich, Miss Hazel Murray, Miss Louise Turner, Miss Olive Valente from the high school building, and Miss Moore and Miss Spring from West Acton and Miss Jeaneth Landerville, drawing teacher, and Miss Ethel Lovely, music teacher. Their places are taken by Miss Thelma Eaton, Mr. Walter Holt, Miss Marion Fuller, Miss Edith Damon, Miss Helen Murray, Miss Madeline Allard and Miss Harriette Chace, Miss Marion Ray, and Mr. Elmer Pierce, respectively.

When school opened in the Fall it was found that the population of Acton Center School had grown unexpectedly to such a size (from about 60 in June to over 75 in September) that it was deemed advisable to add another teacher to the staff of that school to teach grade III and IV. Miss Caroline Chace was elected to the new position. This leaves each of the three teachers with two grades apiece. The new arrangement is producing very desirable results.

## Mr. Thomas Scanlon

It is with regret that we record the passing, on December 21, 1928, of Mr. Thomas Scanlon of West Acton. For nearly thirtyfive years he faithfully performed more than his duty in caring for the school and the children who attended West Acton building. His hard work, thoughtfulness and care has made many a teacher's load lighter and many a scholar more considerate. His passing is a loss to the department, as well as to his friends.

## One of Our Biggest Needs

Physical training in the grade schools and athletics in the high school are two urgent needs of the School Departments. The classroom teachers are doing what they can in their rooms and on the play ground. Much corrective work and group training needs to be done. We have some equipment but it is by no means sufficient. More play ground equipment is needed at the elementary schools. Our athletic field should be finished at the high school.

The High School is still seriously handicapped in not having sufficient area for group athletics. In the Fall and Spring the boys and girls can use the front and side lawns immediately surrounding the High School building. Every recess and spare moment out of doors during fair weather, this area is swarming with boys and girls at play and there are many who cannot find place to play on this limited area. There is about $11 / 2$ acres of our total area of 3 acres still to be developed for the use of outdoor sports. It has been found impossible to develop this land from private initiative and resource. It is therefore necessary to bring this matter before the Town again for assistance.

For winter athletics a number of plans have been discussed to make Blanchard Hall available for physical exercise and at the same time not damage the beauty of the hall. One plan appears feasible above the others but difficulties in designing an
installation which are sure to protect the hall during athletic exercises and ball games indoors, as well as high costs, have delayed this plan.

It is hoped that if the land now owned by the Town is developed so as to be usable for play, the children can have some real physical training and athletic work out of doors. They can do much themselves toward helping to develop the facilities for indoor athletic work, as soon as a satisfactory plan is approved.

## Maintenance and Repairs

In the elementary school buildings many of the more urgent repairs have been made. The committee voted to have all of the ceilings whitened. Sufficient funds were not available to refinish the walls of these buildings. This should be done at an early date as a measure to save eye strain, as well as saving electricity on dark days.

In Center school the metal ceilings were painted, some plaster patched, chairs and desks revarnished, furnaces and chimneys cleaned and repaired. In South School building the toilets have been repaired and their ventilation system so changed that the former unwholesome odors and condition which have existed for many years are removed and the system is functioning in a highly satisfactory manner. No trace of the former objectionable odors has been found since the work was completed in September. Furnaces have been cleaned and repaired. Desks and chairs were revarnished. In West building the desks, chairs, and blackboards have been renovated, ceilings whitened, furnace pipes cleaned with renewals.

## An Important School Problem

Elementary school buildings are becoming increasingly expensive to operate and repair. For the past three years they have exceeded the cost of operation of the High School building, even where the latter has had some unusual repairs and improvements. They do not care for proportionately greater number of children as the following table shows:

Enrollment Grade School Buildings vs. High School Blg.
Total enrollment by grades.

| Grades | Oct. 1928 | April 1927 | April 1926 | April 1925 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 40 | 53 | 44 | 58 |
| 2 | 37 | 49 | 41 | 36 |
| 3 | 49 | 44 | 39 | 40 |
| 4 | 41 | 37 | 43 | 41 |
| 5 | 37 | 45 | 49 | 50 |
| 6 | 38 | 39 | 39 | 52 |
| $(7)$ | - | - | $-*$ | 44 |
| $(8)$ | - | - | $-*$ | 41 |
|  | - | -267 | 255 | 362 |


| School Blgs. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 7 | 48 | 45 | 30 | - |
| 8 | 32 | 53 | 36 | - |
| 9 | 45 | 49 | 32 | 37 |
| 10 | 36 | 34 | 34 | 19 |
| 11 | 29 | 30 | 15 | 20 |
| 12 | 29 | 14 | 16 | 22 |
| P.G. | 3 | 8 | 5 | 4 |
|  | 222 | 233 | 168 | -102 |
| Totals all Schools |  |  |  |  |
|  | 464 |  |  |  |

*Grades 7 \& 8 moved to H. S. Blg. March, 1926.

| Authorized Capacities | Center <br> 100 | South | 140 | West |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Enrollment |  | High School |  |  |
| E | 78 | 99 | 77 | 228 |

December 31, 1928.
It is rarely possible to use each elementary building to its capacity under the present arrangements of six grades in each precinct school, without overcrowding in some room. Temporary readjustment of furniture and transfer of grades from room to room make possible satisfactory work up to a certain point in growth of numbers. After that point some other plan must be adopted.

The elementary school buildings are costing more to operate than a modern building. All of the buildings were erected from fifty to fifty-five years ago. In spite of improvements already made and others urgently required, they are still not economical nor wholly satisfactory, although they provide fair to good educational and sanitary facilities in each precinct. One important item, where costs are high, is fuel. In South Acton Mr. Newton deserves high commendation for his efforts and success in keeping his building very clean and attractive, and operating his heaters economically. Yet in spite of all his care and efforts the heaters consume more coal each year than the other two elementary buildings together. Repeated checks and investigations bring the committee and myself to conclude that the high expense for fuel in this building is due to the inefficiency of the old heaters and not in the method of handling them, which we believe is as economical as possible with present old apparatus. It should be noted that fuel costs in South Acton School are within a few dollars as much as the heating costs of the new High School building.

Moreover the elementary school buildings need thorough renovation in their interiors. The floors in Center School are especially weak and thin, new stair treads, and many new sashes are needed, all walls refinishing. In South School economy suggests new furnaces, new floors, stairtreads, some new sashes, walls
refinished. West School needs flush toilets, and alterations to make heating more economical; almost all sashes are rotted and will have to be replaced soon, walls need to be refinished. These repairs are in addition to the repainting of exteriors of each building and ordinary annual operating repairs. It will either be necessary to pour money into these old buildings, or replace them, or prepare a plan for a new central building.

The following facts may be pointed out. It is true that a central building would require more transportation than at present. This could be covered by certain savings in the present operation costs, (1) by utilizing eight teachers for grades I to VI instead of ten as at present, (2) one janitor for three, (3) and a saving in coal and other operating costs equal to about half of the present elementary operating costs. The net saving from these three economies would probably cover all of the added cost of transportation.

This is an important school problem that must be met in the near future.

We acknowledge gratefully the gifts of books, magazines and money for the Conant Library, especially from Mrs. Frank Lothrop and the members of the Conant family. Books and magazines are a valuable addition to the library facilities of the schools and the teachers in their work. Grateful acknowledgment is made to the Trustees and Librarian of the Acton Library for their cooperation and courtesy in permitting the use of their books among our teachers and school children.

## School Activities

The morale and spirit of the schools has been on a high plane. Acton Center School has purchased and almost completed payment for a new piano, of a special school type for their use, as the result of a musical playlet, several socials and parties, through the enthusiasm and generosity of many of their friends. West Acton has followed close behind in buying a new piano for their own use to replace the very old one now discarded. It is a duplicate of the piano in use at Acton Center School, and is also very satisfactory from a school point of view. South Acton has similary purchased a much needed encyclopedia and some athletic equipment. They also need a new school type piano. The High School has raised money towards the athletic equipment of the hall or for other athletic uses.

At Christmas time the School Children presented a Christmas party for all of the children of the town. To accomodate all who wanted to come, it was given twice, on the afternoon and evening of December 21. The theme was "Christmas in Many Lands." It started with a tableau of the Nativity, with Christmas songs, then a journey to see Christmas in Holland, Russia, and Old England, with dances, carols and songs, under the guidance of the Spirit of Christmas. As the concluding number. the Spirit of Christmas produced Santa Claus, who distributed candy to them.

Graduation was held in Blanchard Hall, high school building on the evening of June 8, 1928. At the exercises the graduating class was addressed by the Hon. John F. Fitzgerald, while the chorus sang several selections, among them, The Recessional by DeKoven, and the Song of Farewell, by Kountz. Twentyfour diplomas were presented at that time. It is a pleasure to record that a number of this class are continuing with their education in colleges.

The graduates of Acton High School class of 1928 are employed as follows:

Esther Balch
Alice Bernier
Mary Butler
Charles Byron
Alfred W. Davis, Jr.
Herbert Evans
Eleanor Heath
Elizabeth Howe
Ethelyn King
Evelyn King
Ethel Massie
Laura Mayell
Walter O'Neil
Raymond Perkins
John Risgin
Olga Servais
Margaret Shea
Pauline Tracy Albert Tucker William Toohey Mable Wamboldt
Thomas Yetman

Burdett College
Acton High School
At Home
Northeastern Univ. Law School
A. W. Davis Co.

American Woolen Co.
Office Clerk at West Concord
Mass. Agricultural College
Burdette College
Burdette College
Mass. Women's Hospital
Acton High School
Garnette Mfg. Co., W. Concord
Levi Perkins Farm
Northeastern Univ. Eng. School
Acton High School
St. Elizabeth's Hosp. Tr. School
Leslie School for Kindergarten
American Woolen Co.
Harvard College
At Home
Boston College Prep. School

Stephen Teele, should have been recorded last year as graduating in the class of 1927. He is employed in managing the large farm left by his father.

The report of the Supervisor of Domestic Science indicates but a small proportion of the fine work accomplished. It should be especially noted that this lunch room provides a very much needed facility for hot lunches for the very many children who are away from home so many hours each day. This lunch room also has materially assisted the athletic association in providing minor athletic equipment. There is another fact not brought out before, namely that in the past three years much sewing room equipment has been purchased from the excess of income over outgo, namely a sewing desk for the teacher, teacher's chair, fitting stand, individual boxes for each girl in the sewing class and other needed equipment.

## THE REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE

## FOLLOWS:

Mr. C. W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools.
Dear Sir:
In the Sewing Course of the seventh grade, the outline is similar to last year's. The pupils first make an apron by hand, each one is made different so as to illustrate the various stitches and trimmings that may be used. The use and care of the sewing machine is taught as they start on their underwear. Mending, darning, the making of buttonholes and a simple course in Textiles are included in this course.

The eighth grade reviews the work of last year. The projects include three different pieces of underwear, and a dress, practical darning and mending. The work in this grade is greatly helped by the aid of a new sewing book for each pupil.

The seventh grade have simple cooking lessons. Dishes of foods are prepared that can be used on the Cafeteria Table and may also be made at home. In each lesson the following are taken up:-kinds, care, cleanliness, ways of buying and serving, preparation and the planning of simple meals.

The eighth grade have more to consider in their lessons :costs, food values and balancing of the food products. With the aid of the new class book "foods, Preparation and Serving," the pupils will accomplish more and have a broader sense of the values of well balanced economical meals.

It is important to point out that the supplies for these cooking lessons are paid for from the receipts of the Cafeteria Lunchcon. Thread, patterns, and supplies for the Sewing Course are also paid for from this same fund.

The Cafeteria has the following report to make:-

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\text { Dr. } \quad \mathrm{Cr} .
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'Cash Jan. 1, 1928
\$2.45
Total Sales for Fiscal Year
1,749.02
'Costs of Supplies, Cooking and Sewing
\$1,657.67
Athletic Ass'n
77.63

Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1928

I wish to thank the Superintendent and the School Com:mittee for their help and assistance.

Respectfully submitted, EDITH M. AMES.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. C. W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.
Dear Sir:
In response to your request, I shall endeavor to outline a report on my work in music in your schools. I should begin by saying that my time has been short, my work beginning October first and in continuation of that done so well by Miss Lovely.

The best thing one can do in public school music is to make secure a good standard of singing, first one-part and later, and at the proper time, two, three and four-part, and following a course of study embracing necessary fundamentals. This furnishes a reliable basis for a departure in music appreciation, instrumental practice and other musical activity.

To read music expertly is then something to set up, not as an end in itself, but rather, as a means toward a richer musical experience in any field. It is, further, the most economical way to proceed in terms of effort, and in other ways, in the end. Individual singing and recitation are imperative.

The course in music appreciation which you introduced last year is one of the best things of its kind on the market. We are giving about one-fifth of the music time to this work. It divides itself into a few well-defined headings and, if carried out for some time, should result in habitually intelligent listening. One may well consider the possibilities in store for those who will listen to the constantly improving radio programs. An outline in brief: follows:

1. Name of selection and composer.
2. Recognition of tone quality and the instrument, or instruments, playing the melody, or air.
3. Nature of the accompaniment, whether rhythmic or chordal, etc., and the instruments furnishing it.
4. Form; involving recognition of recurring themes, the introduction of new ones, etc.
5. Program notes of reliable nature and other interesting facts.

It should be stated that the children thoroughly enjoy this work.

We have two-part music well started in grades five and six and grades seven and eight are getting the swing of three-part work. As soon as this is well-grounded we may look forward to three-part in the former, and four-part in the latter schools, if there are basses.

In the senior high school the interest and effort are very good and there are a few very good leaders, but a more general good reading ability would aid tremendously toward better work, as it is obvious that the individual contribution improves when: all, or nearly all, know what to do.

This work should find community expression in the local choirs.

There are a few string players in the junior and senior high schools and the attempt is made to help them for work in a high school orchestra and for community activity. If other players appear and desire help it will be freely given-and this without attempting in any way to interfere. with the work of private teachers, but, rather, to give their work more meaning.

My connection with the Christmas party was a great pleasure to me. The preparation and carrying out of the work with you and the schools was very interesting and successful.

I hope that we may prepare other programs for presentation during the spring.

I wish to thank yourself and all teachers for interest and cooperation.

All of which is respectfully submitted and with kindest reYours very truly, ELMER E. PIERCE, Supervisor of Music.
January 23, 1929.

The School Doctor and School Nurse have labored effectively in keeping sickness at a minimum in the schools and attendance of children as high as possible. It is a pleasure to comment on their hard work. In connection with the clinic held in the High School, it should be noted that the doctors and the nurses from the State Department of Health worked most enthusiastically and effectively in helping our nurse discover children who might, unless properly protected, develop Tuberculosis. They examined 173 children in one day which almost equals their highest record, which was achieved under extreme pressure. Due to the effective planning of Miss Frost, this work was completed in one day instead of at least two, under ordinary conditions.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. Charles W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools.

## Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report as School physician.
Physical examinations were completed in late October.
During the year we have been practically free from contagious diseases, and the general health of the school population has been remarkably good.

Details of health work will be found in the nurse's report.
I wish to thank the Superintendent, nurse and teachers for their hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. MAYELL, M. D.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the School Committee and Superintendent of Schools.
The Physical examinations for the year were completed in
October with the following results:-Number of Examinations.482
Defects found
Tonsils and Adenoids ..... 75
Poor Posture ..... 208
Glands (Anterior and Posterior cervical) ..... 160
Thyroid ..... 6
Heart ..... 72
Teeth (badly in need of dentistry) ..... 175
Corrections made in eyes ..... 12
Corrections made in Tonsils and Adenoids ..... 8
Special Examinations ..... 2473
Clinics ..... 2
Simple dressings ..... 215
Contagious Diseases ..... 13
Pupils excluded because of contact with Communicable Diseases ..... 14
Home visits ..... 266
Sanitary inspections ..... 150
Individual Talks on Personal Hygiene ..... 178
Clerical work ..... 523
Visits to Boxborohrs.
April 6th, 1928, the State Department of Public Healthheld a clinic at the High School. There were 131 children fromActon Schools and 42 from the Boxboro Schools examined atthis time making a total of 173.
Of this number 32 re-acted to the Von Pirquet test. The Von Pirquet test is a skin test given to indicate, whether or not the child has ever had a Tuberculous infection, at any time, but does not mean active infection at present. The X-ray is then taken to determine the actual infection. Two more were made for Special X-rays because of Physical condition. All but four of this number were X-rayed at Boxboro, April 24. The final report of the clinic is as follows:

## Grades I to VI

Population of School Children ..... 257
Total Number of Children Examined ..... 132
Percentage Examined ..... $51 \%$
Total Number of Contacts Examined ..... 3
Total Number of Children Given the Tuberculin Test ..... 131
Total Number of Children Who Reacted to the Test ..... 32
Total Percentage of Reactors ..... $24 \%$
Total Number Children X-rayed ..... 33
Total Number of Children with Enlarged or Diseased Tonsils and adenoids ..... 42
Total Number of Cases Classified as Suspects ..... 5
Total Number of Cases Classified as Negative ..... 28
Percentage of suspicious cases of the number of children examined ..... 04
Percentage of negative cases of the number of children X-rayed ..... 85
Percentage of $\mathrm{T} \& \mathrm{~A}$ Cases of the number of children Examined ..... 32
Total Number of Children in Need of Dentistry ..... 84
Percentage of dental cases of the number of children examined ..... 64
Total Number of Cases Showing Indication of Heart Diseases ..... 0
Total Number of Cases of Malnutrition (Exclusive of the Suspicious cases) ..... 12
Percentage of Malnutrition Cases of the Number of Children examined ..... 09

In May, there were requests for the Schick test and immunization from 62 children. Of this number there were 32 Schicked. 13 were immune. The rest received Toxin-Antitoxin with the other 30.

Parts of two days in May were spent with Mr. Love and Mr. Lawrance, testing the hearing of all children above the Second Grade by the Audiometer. Many children with defective hearing were found.

One child was taken to Dr. Fernald's School at Waverley for mental testing in July.

There is great need for Physical Director and equipment as many of the pupils show much need for special corrective exercises. A great deal more time should be spent on Physical Education than the grade teachers can possibly spare.

Dental work is much needed for all grades. If facilities for dental work were provided at a central point, such as the High School, students could have work done at a nominal cost and the health of the pupils much improved. Such equipment can be obtained temporarily from the State Department.

Respectfully submitted,
LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

January 24, 1929.

Mr. C. W. Lawrance,<br>Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.<br>Dear Sir:

On commencing my duties as supervisor of drawing in the Schools of Acton, I was pleased to find a superintendent and group of teachers who have been always ready to co-operate with me in my plans and suggestions.

The development and cultivation of taste and the appreciation of the beautiful in form and color, are the general aims in teaching art in the schools. In the lower grades, the children are taught mainly the use of their hands, and the ability to follow directions, together with simple color facts and design elements. Expression of oneself in line and form, and a further understanding of color and design, are the aims of the lessons in. the upper grades.

Tastes and appreciation are important factors in these grades. While I do not attempt to make an artist of every child, I try to direct and encourage the talented pupil, though not at. the expense of the others.

It is the purpose to correlate art with the other activities of the school room as:-geography, history, language, health, special holidays and seasons, etc. This is to make the child see that art is not something for a few, but it is a factor which enters the life of every individual.

Respectfully submitted,
MARION E. RAY.

In conclusion, the teachers and special-subject supervisors join me in thanking the School Committee for their hearty cooperation, and the parents and townspeople for their loyalty to and support of the schools during the past vear. Such support from the townspeople, and the many hours of work by the School Committee, is raising our schools to an effective factor in preparing our pupils for the great business of life.

Respectfully yours,
CHARLES W. LAWRANCE.

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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1929

MODERATORAllen Brooks Parker
SELECTMEN
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1930
Howard J. Billings Term expires ..... 1932
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1931
TOWN CLERK
Horace F. Tuttle
TOWN TREASURER
Frank W. Hoit
ASSESSORS
Albert P. Durkee Term expires 1932
Henry L. Haynes ..... Term expires 1930
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1931
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Howard J. Billings Term expires 1930
Waldo E. Whitcomb ..... Term expires 1930
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1930
COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles A. Durkee
TREE WARDEN
James O'Neil
CONSTABLES
Michael Foley
John T. McNiff
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Fred W. Green Term expires 1932
Wendell F. DavisHorace F. TuttleTerm expires 1931
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Forrest E. Bean Term expires 1932
Lulu L. Clark Term expires ..... 1932
Alberta M. Mead Term expires ..... 1930
Frank Toohey Term expires 1930
Louisa N: Wood Term expires 1931
1931
1931
Arthur M. Whitcomb Term expires 1930 (Appointed to fill vacancy)
TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL LIBRARY
J. Sidney White Term expires 1932
Lucius A. Hesselton Term expires ..... 1930
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires ..... 1931
BOARD OF HEALTH
Raymond F. Durkee Term expires 1932
Frank E. Tasker ..... Term expires 1930
George H. Tuttle Term expires ..... 1931
TRUSTEES OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1932
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires ..... 1930
William H. Kingsley Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF THE WEST ACTON FIREMAN'S RELIEF FUND
C. D. Cram Term expires 1932
Edgar H. Hall ..... Term expires 1930
A. N. Hederstedt Term expires 1931
TRUSTEES OF GOODNOW FUND
Charles E. Smith Term expires 1932
Charlotte Conant ..... Term expires 1930
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires 1931
Appointments by the Selectmen
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Murray Brown Frank W. Hoit Alfred W. Davis
William Rawitser, George A. Richardson, Webster S. Blanchard
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETSAlbert H. Perkins
TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Howard i. Jones
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Charles J. Holton ..... Term expires 1932
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. Term expires ..... 1930
Edwin A. Phalen ..... Term expires 1931
Horace F. Tuttle, ex-officio

## ELECTION OFFICERS

Precinct 1
Warden James W. Coughlin
Deputy Warden George A. Murphy
Clerk Arthur W. Wayne
Deputy Clerk Spencer H. Taylor
Inspector Arthur F. Davis
D)eputy Inspector Willis L. Holden
Inspector Leo F. McCarthy
Deputy Inspector ..... Harold Coughlin
Precinct 2
Warden Lucius A. Hesselton
Deputy Warden Theron F. Newton
Clerk John J. Manning
Deputy Clerk Thomas Murray
Inspector Lewis C. Hastings
Deputy Inspector Frank A. Merriam
Inspector Timothy Hennessey
Deputy Inspector James Brown
Precinct 3
Warden Bertram D. Hall
Deputy Warden Fred S. Whitcomb
Clerk ..... David R. Kinsley
Deputy Clerk Frank McDonald
Inspector A. R. Beach
Deputy Inspector Harry Holt
Inspector James KinsleyDeputy InspectorGuy P. Littlefield
CATTLE INSPECTOR
Fred S. Whitcomb
FIRE ENGINEERSFrank W. Hoit, Chief
ASSISTANT ENGINEERS
Precinct 1Samuel E. Knowlton
Precinct 2
George K. Hayward
Precinct 3
H. Stewart MacGregor
FOREST WARDENAlan B. Frost

# SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK <br> James O'Neil <br> POLICE OFFICERS <br> Chief, Michael J. Foley 

John T. McNiff
Alan B. Frost
DIRECTOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE Charles B. Willett

## Jury List

Revised 1929
Precinct 1
Oliver D. Wood
James W. Coughlin
George S. Tucker
Charles E. Willett

## Precinct 2

Patrick J. Foley
Carl Flint
James Brown
David Cook

## Precinct 3

David R. Kinsley
William Johnson
Henry L. Haynes
Howard C. Tracy
Eugene L. Hall
James E. Kinsley
James A. Grimes
John T. McNiff
William J. Benere
Edgar I. Blaisdell

# TOWN WARRANT 

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.


To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

Precinct 1-Town Hall in said Acton.
Precinct 2-Universalist Church, South Acton.
Precinct 3-Fire House, West Acton.
At 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, the third day of March, 1930, by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said third day of March.

To bring in their votes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three for department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for school committee for one year, to fill the unexpired term of Edgar H. Hall; one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock p. m.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, the tenth day of March, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires, and fix price thereon.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gypsy moth.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1930, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the reveue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300.00$, or some other amount, and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 , Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell any unused equipment of the different departments of the town or act anything thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 300.00$ or some other sum for he settlement of claimes against the town and legal expenses in connection therewith or act anything thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to have one street light placed at or near the driveway of Herbert S. Davis, on Main street.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars ( $\$ 3,000.00$ ), to rebuild Summer street, from Central street to the Boxboro' line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars ( $\$ 3,000.00$ ), to rebuild Newtown road, from Main street to the Littleton line, provided a like sum is allotted to the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 150.00$ for town forest work, or act anything thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to accept the Board of Survey act, in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 73 to 81 inclusive, General Laws, or act anything thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee, to present to the town, at next annual town meeting, a tentative zoning map and laws, in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 25, General Laws, or act anything thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will appoint a planning board, in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 70, General Laws.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain a street light on the pole opposite the Acton Motor company, School street, West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 25 . To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars ( $\$ 200.00$ ), to buy new improved equipment for the Fire Truck, in precinct three, or act anything thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ( $\$ 1,000.00$ ), for the purpose of reconstructing the roof of the Fire House, at Acton Center, so as to provide a room on the second floor for firemen's meetings, or any other town purposes, or act anything thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of six hundred and fifty dollars ( $\$ 650.00$ ), to install a compressed air whistle, at the fire house, in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars ( $\$ 3500.00$ ), to develop the High School athletic field and grounds, or act anything thereon.

Article 29. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen, to removed the fountain located in the center of Quimby square, and to connect water to the stone trough on School street, or act anything thereon.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take with regards to a tercentennial celebration.

Article 31. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars ( $\$ 500.00$ ), to improve the ground for parking purposes around the town hall, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote, to relocate the highway, at the southeast corner of Quimby square, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act anything thereon.

Article 33. To see what action the town will take toward placing a raised triangular plot, in Quimby square, conforming to the three ways, making them two way streets from all angles, placing an under ground wiring to a light or lights on a metal pole, and otherwise reconditioning the square, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this fifth day of February, 1930.

WALDO E. WHITCOMB, WENDELL F. DAVIS, HOWARD J. BILLINGS,<br>Selectmen of Acton.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Commitee on Finance makes the following recomendations relating to appropriations.

## Article 4:

Roads, general maintenance
\$12,000. 00
Schools
45,000.00
Street lighting
Memorial Library 5,050.00

Books 800.00

Hydrant service
General government
200.00

2,959.00
Buildings and grounds
4,800000
Cemeteries
800.00

Military aid
1,200.00
State aid
Soldiers' relief
Police department
Board of health
Public welfare
200.00

Snow removal
Care of shade trees
Reserve fund
Unclassified
200.00
500.00

Bonds, (High school and others)
1,500.00
$1,000.00$
2,500.00
1,500.00
500.00

1,200.00
500.00

Interest on bonds and notes
Interest on revenue loans
9,500.00
2,276.00
2,300.00
\$96,485.00
19,120.00
\$115,605.00

| Article | 5 | Memorial Day | $\$ 300.00$ |
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| Article | 7 | Fire department maintenance | $2,000.00$ |
|  |  | New hose. | 700.00 |
| Article | 8 | Forest fires | 500.00 |
| Article | 9 | Gypsy moth work | $1,250.00$ |
| Article 10 | Liability insurance | 500.00 |  |
| Article 11 | Treasurer's and collector's bonds | 270.00 |  |
| Article 13 | Public health nurse | $2,200.00$ |  |
| Article 14 | Demonstration work | 300.00 |  |
|  | (Agriculture) |  |  |
| Article | 16 | Settlement of claims | 300.00 |
| Article 17 | and 24 To leave to Board of Selectmen |  |  |
| Article 18 | Summer street road | $3,000.00$ |  |
| Article 19 | Newtown road | $3,000.00$ |  |

Article 20 Town forest work 150.00
Article 25 To be included in Article 7.
Article 26 Centre fire house $1,000.00$
Article 27 Fire whistle, South Acton 650.00
Article 28 Committee on finance recommends not over $\quad 2,500.003500$.
Article 29 Committee on finance is advised that no special appropriation need be made.
Article 31 Town Hall Grounds 500.00
\$19,120. 00
Article 32 Committee on finance is unable to make any recommendation, as no estimate of cost has been furnished.
Article 33 Committee on finance does not think it advisable to recommend.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE,

Precinct 1. Precinct 2. Precinct 3.
Murray Brown, Frank W. Hoit, Webster S. Blanchard, George A. Richardson, William Rawitser, Alfred W. Davis,

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Town of Acton and also the books and records of the Collector of taxes and have found them correct. Notices have been sent to all delinquent tax payers.

HOWARD L. JONES<br>Town Accountant

February 12, 1930.

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

We herewith submit for your approval the report of the various departments of the town for the year ending December 31, 1929 :

Under Article 19 to grade the abandoned dump in precinct one opposite the cemetery. For this we advertised for bids. When we opened our bids we found all except one far in excess of the appropriation for this work and your board rejected all bids. Later Mr. George Greenough took the contract to fill the dump and bring it up to grade for the sum of three hundred dollars and this has been filled and seeded down with grass.

Under Article 21, the common at Acton center has been greatly improved doing all that could be done with the appropriation, as this has been neglected in the past much more could be done here.

Under Article 22, a committee of six has been appointed by the selectmen to act as an electric light committee and you will find their report printed elsewhere in this report.

Under Article 23 , and 24, the state and county came in with the town under the provisions of Section 34, Chapter 90, of the general laws. The work was advertised for bids and the contract was awarded to John J. Watkins of Amesbury Mass. he being the lowest bidder.

The work has been completed and approved by the commissioners of public works, November 26, 1929, and we feel that we made a saving to the town by having this work done by contract, as the town has not the equipment for this work.

Under Article 28, after looking at several makes of Road Rollers, we decided on a twelve ton Buffalo Gasoline Roller which has been doing good work on our roads this year. We also purchased new sprinklers for the watering cart which puts this in good working order.

Under Article 34, one electric light was placed near the house of A. C. Jones on Arlington street, also the electric light near the high school was moved up one pole, so as to give better light to the entrance to the high school grounds.

Under Article 37, after several meetings with the state and county officials with no success we were obliged to repair Nagog Hill road without help from either state or county. So with the appropriation made by the town this road was graveled in part, seraped oiled and rolled, which brought this road into very good shape for the present time.

Under Article 38, a vote to authorize the selectmen to sell the
unused gravel pit located on the state road to Mr. Murray Brown, for the sum of one dollar, this deed has been given and the sum paid.

Under Articles $20,25,26,27,30,32,33$ and 36 , we have endeavored to give special attention to the roads named in these Articles and to have what has been done in the form of a permanent nature that may be added to from year to year

In conclusion, we feel that the conditions of the town are improving each year having paid a part of our bonded indebtness thus cutting down our heavy expense and we would urge the citizens to read and carefully study the reports of all the town officers and committees printed in this report especially that of the finance committee in order that we may keep our tax rate down below the average of the state.

> Respectfully submitted,
> WALDO E. WHITCOMB, WENDALL F. DAVIS, HOWARD J. BILLINGS.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Births
Whole number recorded ..... 41
Born in Acton 14 Native parentage ..... 26
Males 24 Native parentage ..... 27
Females 17 Mixed parentage ..... 11
Marriages
Whole number recorded ..... 28
Residents of Acton 34 Residents of other places, ..... 22
Deaths
Whole number recorded ..... 42
Residents of Acton 37 Residents of other places,.. 5
Occurring in Acton 31 Occurring in other places, ..... 11
Average age in years, 65 plus.
The town clerk requests information of any errors, or omissions in the list of births, marriages and deaths.
The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish blanks for the return of births and deaths.

HORACE F. TUTTLE,

Births Registered in 1929

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& \text { Name of Child } \\
& \text { Bancroft, Benjamin Owen ..... Clesson A. and Gladys Morse } \\
& \text { Donato and Maria S. DiBenedito } \\
& \text { Alexander and Melvina Lueas } \\
& \text { Albert E. and Gertrude H. Alho } \\
& \text { Albert C. and Viola M. Wamboldt } \\
& \text { George E. and Alice G. Seymour } \\
& \text { Peter J. and Margaret M. Punch } \\
& \text { James S. and Arlene Stuart } \\
& \text { Hugh M. and Helena M. MeKereher } \\
& \text { Mareel and Eveline Daly } \\
& \text { Lewis and Margaret Burke } \\
& \text { Howard A. and Ethel M. Tracey } \\
& \text { Frank and Mary Palma } \\
& \text { Harold and Bertha Mansfield } \\
& \text { Thomas M. and Alice K. Evans } \\
& \text { Murray D. and Margaret J. Christofferson } \\
& \text { Leveroni, Margaret Frances } \\
& \text { Long, Eileen Mildred } \\
& \text { Mauro, Robert Leone } \\
& \text { Merry, Frances Jean } \\
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| Names | Residence |
| :---: | :---: |
| Bond, Joseph Henry | Acton |
| Wanamaker, Winona Florence | Somerville |
| Cameron, Allan Charles | Acton |
| Scribner, Doris Kathryn | Acton |
| Deane, Richard Frank | Passaic, N. Y. |
| Merriam, Bertha Whittemore | Acton |
| Elliott, Percy Rolland | Acton |
| Anderson, Margaret | Concord |
| Enneguess, Daniel J. | Acton |
| Frigard, Tina L. | Maynard |
| Field, James Irving | Somerville |
| Van Winkle, Ruth Christine | Acton |
| Fletcher, Paul Deland | Littleton |
| Massie, Mildred Esther | Acton |
| Foster, Rufus Eion | Belmont |
| McGee, Dorcas Myrtle | Acton |
| French, Charles B. | Acton |
| Doucette, Anna | Westford |
| Grenon, Ernest Wilfred | Acton |
| Burdett, Ruth Irene | Boston |
| Griffin, Paul E. | Acton |
| Grant, Eleanore C. | Acton |
| Hall, Raymond L. | Newton, Con |
| Hall, Margaret | Acton |
| Howe, James S. | Acton |
| Stuart, Arlene | Acton |


| No. | Date | Place of Marriage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Dec. 28. | Somerville |
| 2. | Nov. 23. | Brockton |
| 3. | Feb. 11. | Acton |
| 4. | Sept. 7. | Acton |
| 5. | Oct. 15. | Maynard |
| 6. | Sept. 29. | Acton |
| 7. | A pr. 16. | Acton |
| 8. | July 18. | Littleton |
| 9. | Mar. 1. | Watertown |
| 10. | Jan. 5. | Boston |
| 11. | May 26. | Maynard |
| 12. | July 20. | Acton |
| 13. | Jan. 5. | Acton |




## Deaths Registered in 1929

| No. | Date of Death | Name | Yrs. |  | Days |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Nov. 1. | Baldwin, Mary Maria | 73 | 2 |  |
| 2. | Jan. 28. | Banks, Ella Frances | 72 | 3 | 22 |
| 3. | May 4. | Boyne, Agnes E. | 88 | 2 | 27 |
| 4. | Nov. 13. | Bunnell, Carson | 26 |  |  |
| 5. | Apr. 11. | Callahan, Mary J. | 75 |  |  |
| 6. | Mar. 14. | Chandler, Ella M. | 67 |  | 19 |
| 7. | June 27. | Daniels, George W | 72 |  |  |
| 8. | Jan. 31. | Davis, Alice E. | 88 | 4 | 6 |
| 9. | Feb. 3. | Durkee, Florence Elizabeth |  | 6 | 3 |
| 10. | June 25. | Eaton, Ralph Dyer | 57 | 4 |  |
| 11. | May 26. | Eaton, Warren | 21 | 4 | 23 |
| 12. | Dec. 20. | Edwards, Charles | 80 | 8 | 9 |
| 13. | July 20. | Farrar, Daniel H. | 85 | 4 | 17 |
| 14. | Aug. 21. | Fletcher, Lizzie Roth | 73 | 4 | 4 |
| 15. | Aug. 1. | Fobes, Mary Adella | 58 | 7 | 13 |
| 16. | Aug. 18. | Heath, Charles Barker | 67 | 8 | 18 |
| 17. | Sept. 6. | Holbrook, Ellen Ann | 77 | 11 | 25 |
| 18. | Nov. 12. | Holt, Clara E. | 80 | 6 | 25 |
| 19. | Jan. 27. | Howe, Maggie Ann | 88 | 2 | 14 |
| 20. | Oct. 23. | Knowlton, Angie Harvey | 80 | 6 | 18 |
| 21. | Sept. 15. | Kolb, Joseph J. | 61 |  |  |
| 22. | Nov. 13. | Kuczun, Simon | 44 |  |  |
| 23. | Oct. 13. | Lee, Thomas E. | 59 | 2 |  |
| 24. | Sept. 5. | Lowden, Arthur Stevens | 57 | 11 | 18 |
| 25. | Aug. 12. | MacMillan, Miles | 54 |  |  |
| 26. | Nov. 1. | Marchuk, Akalina | 45 | - |  |
| 27. | Nov. 3. | Morehouse, Hazel I. | 36 |  |  |
| 28. | Sept. 22. | Nagle, Agnes Julia | 68 | 8 | 1 |
| 29. | Nov. 13. | Nurmi, Hjalmar | 35 |  |  |
| 30. | Sept. 14. | Phalen, Harriet D. | 71 |  | 28 |
| 31. | Feb. 17. | Proctor, Martha Elizabeth | 74 | 4 | 24 |
| 32. | Aug. 11. | Richardson, Sidney Laforest | 72 | 2 | 20 |
| 83. | Aug. 5. | Schofield, John Albert | 30 |  | 12 |
| 34. | May 26. | Stanley, Mary A. | 83 | 10 | 14 |
| 35. | Feb. 9. | Teele, Stephen E. | 20 | 4 | 17 |
| 36. | July 7. | Vitakevetz, Tony | 56 |  |  |
| 37. | Dec. 8. | Wells, Leonard R. D. | 69 | 7 | 5 |
| 38. | July 21. | Willis, Marrilla E. | 87 | 5 |  |
| 39. | Sept. 10. | Wooding, Henry Joseph | 71 | 9 |  |



Non-Resident Burials, 1929

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& \text { Name } \\
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\text { McDonald, Ch } \\
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& \text { Robbins, Lucy ........ } \\
& \text { Watts Chon, Mary J. } \\
& \text { Watts, Charles Francis }
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\text { Wright, Warren }
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## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting,

 Held March 11, 1929Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.

Chose, Warren H. Jones, trustee of the Elizabeth White fund, for three years.

Chose, Clarence D. Cram, trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief fund, for three years.

Chose, Charles E. Smith, trustee of the Goodnow fund, for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at three quarters of one percent of the amount collected.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two hundred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be fifteen dollars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for other meetings.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the board of public welfare be seventy-five dollars per annum and the other members forty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salaries of the assessors be five hundred and fifty dollars in the aggregate per annum to be apportioned as they may determine and fifty dollars for the salary of a clerk.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of the several town officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the several town officers as printed.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

The chairman of the selectmen presented a report for the committee chosen at the special town meeting, November 7, 1928, to investigate the matter of claims and liabilities on account of the accident to the school bus at South Acton, April 27, 1928.

Voted: To receive the report of the committee as a report of progress, and that the committee be continued for the purpose for which it was chosen.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several

## departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised. <br> Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to raise and appropriate for:

Roads, general maintenance ..... \$12,000.00
Schools ..... 45,000.00
Street lighting ..... 5,016.50
Memorial library ..... 800.00
Books ..... 200.00
Hydrant service ..... 2,984.00
General government ..... 4,800.00
Buildings and grounds ..... 800.00
Cemeteries ..... 1,000.00
Military aid ..... 200.00
State aid ..... 300.00
Soldier's relief ..... 300.00
Police department ..... 1,200.00
Board of health ..... 1,000.00
Public welfare ..... 2,500.00
Snow removal ..... 1,500.00
Care of shade trees ..... 500.00
Reserve fund ..... 1,200.00
Unclassified ..... 500.00
Bonds, high school and others ..... 9,600.00
Interest, bonds and notes ..... 2,580.00
Interest on revenue loans ..... 2,600.00
Memorial day ..... 300.00
Fire department maintenance ..... 1,300.00
New hose ..... 250.00
Forest fires ..... 500.00
Gypsy moth work ..... 1,250.00
Liability insurance ..... 500.00
Treasurer's and collector's bonds ..... 270.00
Public health nurse ..... 2,200.00
Demonstration work (agriculture) ..... 300.00
Dump, grading and filling ..... 300.00
Laws Brook road ..... 1,500.00
School street ..... 1,500.00
Road machinery ..... 5,000.00
Nagog Hill road ..... 1,500.00
Athletic Field high school ..... 2,000.00
Town forest ..... 300.00

Voted to appropriate the unexpended balance of $\$ 655.95$ from the surplus war bonus fund, to improve the common at Acton Center.

Voted: To instruct the assessors to deduct from the amount required to be assessed the current year $\$ 10,000$ on account of
surplus revenue and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town, except from loans and taxes.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Voted: To raise and appropriate three hundred dollars.
Voted: That the chairman of the selectmen, the commander of Isaac Davis Post and the commander of the American Legion be a committee to expend this appropriation and direct the ceremonies of the observance of Memorial day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than October 15, 1929, and on all taxes remaining unpaid after November 1, interest shall be charged at the rate of six percent per annum from October 15, 1929, until such taxes are paid.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the maintenance of the fire department or vote anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate thirteen hundred dollars for maintenance and two-hundred and fifty dollars for new hose.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix price thereon.

Voted: To appropriate five-hundred dollars and that the price per hour be fixed by the forest warden.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown tail and gypsy moth.

Voted: To appropriate twelve hundred and fifty dollars.
Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything. thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.
Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. Voted to appropriate the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1,1929 , and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year .

Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1929, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Voted: To employ a public health nurse to be under the direction of the board of health.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 2,200$ for the maintenance of said nurse.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$ or some other amount and elect a director, the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County trustee's for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service under the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$.
Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to appoint a director.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to install three additional street lights on Central street in South Acton between Martin street and the residence of Sidney Richardson or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Article 16. To see if the town will vote to condition Martin street from Maple street to Stow road, by resurfacing, grading and coating with tarvia, supplying new catch basins and culverts where necessary for complete drainage, or act anything thereon.

A motion to appropriate $\$ 1,000$ did not prevail.
Article 17. To see if the town will vote to erect a light pole, twenty feet or thereabouts, north of the bridge crossing the stream on Martin street and on the east side of above street and maintain a light on said pole, or act anything thereon.

Yoted: That the selectmen be instructed to install a street light at the place described in the article provided it can be done without increasing the present appropriation for street lighting.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the board of health to arrange to keep open for not more than two days in each week the public dump in precinct one or act anything thereon.

Voted: To dismiss the article.
Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$ to be used or any part of it to grade the now abandoned dump in precinct one opposite the cemetery, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$.
Article 20. To see what amount of money the town will raise and appropriate to repair Harris street in the northerly part of the town.

Voted: That the special work called for in articles 20, 25 , $26,27,30,32,33$ and 36 of this warrant shall be taken care of by the selectmen, at their discretion under the appropriation for general maintenance of roads.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the unexpended balance of $\$ 655.95$ from the surplus war bonus fund, to fix up the common at Acton Center, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the unexpended balance amounting to $\$ 655.95$, from the surplus war bonus fund, for the improvement of the Common at Acton Center.

Article 22. To see what action the town will take with regard to electric street lighting.

Voted: That a committee of six be appointed by the selectmen, with full power to act as they deem for the best interests of the town, in all negotiations relating to electric lighting in the town of Acton the ensuing year.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ to continue the reconstruction of Laws Brook road to the Concord line provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ to continue the reconstruction of Laws Brook road to the Concord line provided a like amount is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ to continue the reconstruction of School street from its intersection with Laws Brook road, to the State highway provided a like seem is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Midddlesex or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ to continue the reconstruction of School street from its intersection with Laws Brook road to the State highway provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State Department of Public Works and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex.

Article 25. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 1000$ to gravel Arlington street from Elm street going east.

See vote recorded under article 20.
Article 26. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 1000$, for the purpose of rebuilding the road extending from Fletcher corner to the Maynard line or act anything thereon.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to repair Summer street from Willow street to the Boxboro line.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 28. To see what action the town will take with regard to the purchase of new road machinery.

Yoted: To appropriate $\$ 5,000$ for the purchase of new road machinery.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to accept the ladder truck, which has been constructed by the members of the South Acton fire department, said truck to be a part of the fire fighting equipment of the town of Acton, but to be housed at the South Acton fire house in charge of the South Acton fire department.

Article 29. Voted to accept the ladder truck from the mem-
bers of the South Acton fire department upon the terms and conditions described in the article.

Voted: That the town place on record its hearty appreciation of the work of the members of the South Acton fire department.

Article 30. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 500$ to continue the reconstruction of Nashoba road.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 31. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$ for town forest work.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300$.
Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to lay out and build a road from Massachusetts avenue, West Acton, to the driveway leading to Mr. Orla Nichols' house following the line of the abandoned electric car road or act anything thereon.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars for the purpose of macadamizing Stow street from the Main street bridge to the lumber yard or act anything thereon.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 34. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light at or near the houses of A. C. Jones, E. H. Hall Jr. and B. E. Hall on Alington street.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to procure the installation of one street light to be located as described in the article.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 16.50$ for the maintenance thereof.

Article 35. To see if the town will establish and maintain a street light near the high school building at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and the Cutler road so called.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to petition for such changes in street light locations as will provide a light at the place described in the article, such changes to be made without expense to the town.

Article 36. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars to grade the west corner of the Cutler road, so called, where it enters Massachusetts avenue.

See vote recorded under Article 20.
Article 37. To see if the town will reappropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ from cash on hand in the treasury for the purpose of reconstructing the Nagog Hill road from the Littleton line to Acton Center and instruct the selectmen to obtain an allotment from the County of Middlesex on this project if possible or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 1500$ for the purpose of reconstructing Nagog Hill road as called for in the article.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to obtain if possible an allotment from the County of Middlesex.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to authorize the
selectmen to sell the unused gravel-pit located on the State road about one mile north of East Acton village.

Voted: Unanimously to instruct the selectmen to tender to Mr. Murray Brown a deed of the land referred to in Article 38, for the sum of one dollar.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to develop the high school athletic field or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars to develop the high school athletic field to be expended under the direction of the school committee.

## Persons Having Dogs Licensed in 1929

Allard, Moses ..... $\$ 2.00$
Clifford, Albert ..... 2.00
Allen, John F. ..... 2.00
Armburg, Fred ..... 2.00
Bancroft, C. A. ..... 5.00
Baxter, Miriam F. ..... 2.00
Beach, Hazel ..... 2.00
Bedford, Mrs. A. E. ..... 2.00
Bennett, L. W. ..... 2.00
Berglind, Edward E. ..... 2.00
Berglind, John E. ..... 2.00
Berry, James N. ..... 2.00
Blaisdell, Lucile ..... 2.00
Blanchard, Webster S. ..... 2.00
Bondelvitch, Walter ..... 4.00
Bowen, Robert M. ..... 2.00
Bowman, Herbert E. ..... 2.00
Boxill, Mrs. Cyril ..... 2.00
Bradford, F. W. R. ..... 2.00
Bradbury, Rolfe ..... 4.00
Braman, Mrs. Frank ..... 5.00
Brill, Fred E. ..... 4.00
Brown, J. A. ..... 2.00
Brown, Robert ..... 2.00
Bulette, Frank W. ..... 2.00
Busch, Edward ..... 2.00
Caldwell, Hazel ..... 2.00
Caldwell, Margaret ..... 2.00
Cahill, William ..... 2.00
Campbell, Leland H. ..... 2.00
Chaffin, Nancy S. ..... 4.00
Charter, W. W. ..... 2.00
Cheney, Edward ..... 2.00
Christofferson, Allen M. ..... 2.00
Clark, O. L. ..... 2.00
Clapp, George E. ..... 2.00
Condon, Timothy ..... 2.00
Conway, John F. ..... 2.00
Conant, Charlotte ..... 2.00
Cook, David ..... 5.00
Costello, Edward ..... 5.00
Coughlin, Harold J. ..... 6.00
Crocker, Charles ..... 2.00
Davis, Charles E. ..... 21.00
Davis, Wendell F. ..... 5.00
Deane, Mrs. Thomas ..... 2.00
DeSousa, Mrs. Benj. ..... 2.00
DiGiacomandria, Nichols ..... 5.00
Doyle, Henry K. ..... 2.00
Drummond, Thomas F. ..... 2.00
Duggan, John A. ..... 5.00
Durkee, C. A. ..... 5.00
Durkee, Raymond F. ..... 2.00
Duren, Delta B. ..... 2.00
Dymaska, A. ..... 2.00
Edney, Charles F. ..... 2.00
Eilertsen, Carl ..... 2.00
Enneguess, Michael ..... 4.00
Evans, John H. ..... 7.00
Farrar, Frank B. ..... 2.00
Farrar, F. Earl ..... 5.00
Farrar, J. (Maple St.) ..... 2.00
Finan, Bertha Cummings ..... 5.00
Fitzgerald, James ..... 2.00
Flagg, Alden ..... 4.00
Fletcher, Charles J. ..... 2.00
Fletcher, John L. ..... 5.00
Foley, Patrick ..... 2.00
Freeman, George ..... 2.00
Freeman, Mathew ..... 2.00
Freeman, Richard ..... 5.00
Mason, Roger ..... 6.00
French, C. H. ..... 2.00
Frost, Alan B. ..... 5.00
Fullonton, L. T ..... 2.00
Gallant, Mildred ..... 2.00
Gibbs, Harriet E ..... 2.00
Green, Catherine ..... 2.00
Griffin, Franklin E. ..... 7.00
Hall, Mary Farrell ..... 2.00
Harrison, B. M. ..... 2.00
Hart, Mrs. Nelson ..... 2.00
Harvey, Lucretia H. ..... 7.00
Hastings, Lewis C. ..... 2.00
Hayes, Michael G. ..... 2.00
Haynes, Albert L. ..... 2.00
Hensen, William W. ..... 2.00
Herrick, J. M. ..... 5.00
Hilliard, John A. ..... 2.00
Holbrook, F. A. ..... 4.00
Holden, F. H. ..... 2.00
Holland, John ..... 5.00
Howe, Leland F. ..... 2.00
Howe, O. H. ..... 2.00
Hurley, James J. ..... 2.00
Jalonen, Arthur ..... 4.00
Jenks, Albert R. ..... 2.00
Jensen, P. A. ..... 4.00
Johnson, Albion ..... 2.00
Johnson ..... 5.00
Jones, A. C. ..... 2.00
Jones, Helen A. ..... 2.00
Jones, Hugh ..... 2.00
Jones, Warren H. ..... 2.00
Kazokas, William ..... 7.00
Kelley, Julia T ..... 2.00
Kennedy, Duncan S. ..... 2.00
King, Benjamin ..... 2.00
Kilmartin, William T. ..... 7.00
Knowlton, Samuel E. ..... 2.00
Laffin, Ormal S. R. ..... 2.00
Laffin, Sidney ..... 5.00
Lamson, Wallace I. ..... 2.00
LaRoche, Arthur ..... 6.00
Larsen, Jorgen ..... 5.00
Lears, William ..... 2.00
LeClare, Edward ..... 2.00
Littlefield, Ralph ..... 2.00
Livermore, William J. ..... 5.00
Lowden, E. Philip ..... 2.00
Manion, Thomas ..... 2.00
Marsh, A. W. ..... 2.00
Massie, Williams, Jr. ..... 2.00
Mayell, Ruth ..... 2.00
Maynes, Everett M. ..... 2.00
May, Francis A. ..... 2.00
McCarthy, Leo ..... 5.00
McGovern, John ..... 2.00
Mead, Hobart E. ..... 2.00
Mekkelsen, Thora ..... 2.00
Mel, Eleanor ..... 2.00
Merriam, Harold ..... 2.00
Morehouse, Mrs. C. F. ..... 4.00
Montague, Everett N. ..... 2.00
Middleton, W. J. ..... 2.00
Morse, Leonard ..... 2.00
Morrison, Frederick D. ..... 10.00
Muise, Joseph ..... 5.00
Munn, William ..... 2.00
Murgatroyd, James ..... 9.00
Nelson, Olaf F ..... 2.00
Newell, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Newell, L. F. .....  00
Nichols, Orla E. ..... 5.00
Noterman, Emile .....  00
Oldroyd, Catherine ..... 2.00
Olsen, Peter, Jr ..... 2.00
Olsen, Simon ..... 2.00
O'Neil, James .....  00
Packard, James M. ..... 2.00
Parker, George M. ..... 2.00
Parzkienicz, Stanley ..... 2.00
Pedersen, John .....  00
Penney, D. F. ..... 4.00
Penney, John ..... 2.00
Penniman, Jessie M. ..... 2.00
Perkins, A. Hazelton ..... 00
Perkins, Levi W. ..... 2.00
Peterson, Carl N ..... 2.00
Pope, Benjamin ..... 6.00
Pratt, Edward F. ..... 2.00
Pratt, Herbert T. ..... 2.00
Price, Louise M. ..... 2.00
Rafuse, Edith M. ..... 2.00
Rawitser, William ..... 2.00
Rayner, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Reed, G. Howard ..... 7.00
Reed, Otis J. ..... 2.00
Reid, Robert A. 3rd ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Arthur ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Harold R. ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Jesse C. ..... 2.00
Richardson, George A. . 2.00 Toohey, William J. ..... 2.00
Roche, Francis B. ..... 2.00
Rugg, George ..... 2.00
Sanborn, Everett R. ..... 2.00
Sawyer, Benjamin H ..... 2.00
Schofield, Harris C. ..... 7.00
Scott, T. A. ..... 2.00
Shapley, Eva C. ..... 2.00
Sisson, Geogre T. ..... 12.00
Smith, Hattie E. ..... 2.00
Smith, Ralph ..... 4.00
Spinney, Alice L. ..... 2.00
Stearns, Margery E. ..... 2.00
Stevens, Woodbury ..... 2.00
Stiles, Frank L. ..... 5.00
Stokes, William ..... 2.00
Stoney, Mrs. Reginald ..... 2.00
Stuart, Leslie E. ..... 2.00
Sylvia, E. W ..... 2.00
Taylor, Spencer H. ..... 2.00
Todd, Ethel ..... 8.00
Tompkins, Elizabeth P ..... 5.00
Tracy, Alfred ..... 2.00
Tripp, Horatio W. ..... 2.00
Tucker, George S. Jr. ..... 2.00
Turnbull, George I ..... 5.00
Turner, George C. ..... 2.00
Tuttle, George F. ..... 2.00
Tuttle, Horace C. ..... 2.00
Vila, Maude ..... 2.00
Vilkauskis, Anthony ..... 2.00
Watkins, John H. ..... 7.00
Weaver, George T. ..... 25.00
Whitcomb, Fred S. ..... 4.00
Whitney, Cora A. ..... 2.00
Willet, Charles E. ..... 2.00
Wise, Glenna ..... 2.00
Wood, Mrs. Herbert L. . ..... 2.00
Wood, Oliver D. ..... 2.00
Woodworth, Randall ..... 2.00
210 licenses at $\$ 2.00$ ..... $\$ 420.00$
44 licenses at $\$ 5.00$ ..... 220.00
1 license at $\$ 25.00$ ..... 25.00
$\$ 665.00$
Deduct fees-255 licenses at 20c each51.00$\$ 614.00$
$\$ 3.60$
Due county treasurer, 1928 account\$617.60
May 23, 1929-Paid county treasurer ..... $\$ 207.00$
Nov. 25, 1929-Paid county treasurer ..... 400.40
Dec. 31, 1929-Due county treasurer ..... 10.20

## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Acton, Massachusetts: Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year 1929:
Expenditures
GENERAL GOVERNMENT
Appropriation$\$ 4,800.00$
SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary ..... $\$ 200.00$
Howard J. Billings, salary ..... 100.00
Wendall F. Davis, salary ..... 100.00
R. S. Osterhout, town reports ..... 488.40
Marjorie Jones, clerk ..... 3.00
Hobbs and Warren, license blanks ..... 2.00
ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Howard L. Jones, salary ..... $\$ 400.00$
Howard L. Jones, postage ..... 10.00
Compass Printing Company, printing ..... 5.25
Thorp and Martin Company, books and sta- tionery ..... 8.90
Service Printing and Stationery Company, vouchers ..... 10.75
\$893.40 ..... 40
Howard J. Billings, salary ..... 40.00
Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary ..... 40.00
COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Charles A. Durkee, salary ..... \$812.80
Murphy and Snyder, printing tax bills ..... 33.25
Hobbs and Warren Company, stationery, notices ..... 16.23
Charles A. Durkee, postage ..... 4.85
ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT
Paid:
Henry E. Haynes, salary ..... \$183.33
Warren H. Jones, salary ..... 183.34
Albert P. Durkee, salary ..... 183.33
Hobbs and Warren, stationery, books etc. ..... 56.25
Rachael Haynes, clerk ..... 50.00
Carter's Ink Company, ..... 67
Assessor's Auto Tax, service ..... 5.00
L. L. Aplin, transfer notices ..... 25.40
C. A. Durkee, examining records ..... 8.00
Henry L. Haynes, attending meetings (3) ..... 31.56
Warren H. Jones, attending meetings (3) ..... 31.56
Albert P. Durkee, attending meetings (2) ..... 15.00
IIenry L. Haynes, travel expense ..... 7.00
Henry L. Haynes, postage, telephone, etc. ..... 9.68
Maplewood Press, poll tax lists ..... 57.50
\$157. 30

\$847. 62

## TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, salary ..... $\$ 200.00$
Horace F. Tuttle, recording births ..... 40.00
Horace F. Tuttle, recording marriages ..... 14.50
Horace F. Tuttle, recording deaths ..... 24.50
Horace F. Tuttle, telephone and postage ..... 28.50
P. B. Murphy, blanks ..... 4.10
A. H. Bartlett Company, blanks ..... 1.07
Murphy and Snyder, envelopes ..... 3.00SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Paid:
Theron F. Newton, salary ..... \$120.00
Hobbs and Warren, book ..... 6.16
W. and L. S. Gurley, supplies ..... 9.71

## CATTLE INSPECTION

Paid:Fred S. Whitcomb, salary$\$ 175.00$
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION
Paid:
Horace F. Tuttle, registrar ..... $\$ 25.00$
Charles J. Holton, registrar 1928 and 1929 ..... 40.00
Daniel Sheehan, registrar 1928 and 1929 ..... 40.00
J. T. McNiff, registrar ..... 8.00
R. S. Osterhout, printing warrants and ballots ..... 53.50
James W. Coughlan, election officer ..... 25.00
Thomas Murray, election officer ..... 5.00
I. C. Hastings, election officer ..... 5.00
A. F. Davis, election officer ..... 5.00
Timothy Hennessy, election officer ..... 5.00
T. F. Newton, election officer ..... 5.00
Leo McCarthy, election officer ..... 10.00
Fred S. Whitcomb, election officer ..... 5.00
A. R. Beach, election officer ..... 5.00
Arthur Wayne, election officer ..... 5.00
L. C. Hastings, placing booths ..... 1.25
Universalist Church, rent ..... 5.00
A. W. Brownell Corporation, notices ..... 2.07
Enterprise Company, advertising ..... 2.25
Turner's Public Spirit, advertising ..... 3.00
A. Brooks Parker, moderator ..... 15.00

$\$ 270.07$
Total general government \$4,639.15
Unexpended balance160.85

\$4,800.00
TREASURER'S AND COLLECTOR'S BONDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 270.00$
Paid:
American Surety Company ..... $\$ 270.00$
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 45.72
$\$ 845.72$
Paid:
American Woolen Company ..... \$35.05
Edison Electric Illuminating Company ..... 32.65
B. A. King, wiring ..... 31.46
Nagle Oil \& Supply Company, sweeping compound ..... 5.00
A. W. Davis Company, coal ..... 80.29
A. W. Davis Company, fertilizer ..... 19.75
West \& South Water Supply ..... 12.00
Com. of Massachusetts, boiler inspection ..... 10.00
A. J. Wilkinson, lock ..... 14.38
M. E. Taylor \& Company, lawn mower ..... 225.00
Mi. E. Taylor \& Company, edge trimmer ..... 10.00
Allen Chair Company, repairs ..... 1.10
W. B. Blodgett, adjusting mower ..... 3.00
George Braman, painting and repairing flag pole ..... 14.65
Jos. Breck \& Son, parts for mower ..... 3.70
Fitzgerald Garage, repairs on mower ..... 2.00
Wm. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 3.30
R. M. Prentiss, 1 shade ..... 1.00
T. E. Costello, repairing chairs ..... 11.00
Fred Green, labor ..... 9.43
N. H. Tenney, work on boiler ..... 30.10
Wm. G. Lawrence, shellacing chairs ..... 7.20
F. G. Williams, repairing ceiling ..... 2.00
M. E. Taylor Company, supplies ..... 17.56
A. W. Wayne, janitor ..... 141.50

1. W. Wayne, care of clock ..... 52.00
A. W. Wayne, care of grounds ..... 70.60

## Protection of Persons and Property

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation ..... \$1,200.00
Transferred from reserve fund
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 228.79 ..... 228.79

\$1,428.79

Paid:
Michael Foley, services ..... \$377.75
John T. McNiff, services ..... 399.33
A. B. Frost, services ..... 297.20
Charles Whitcomb, services ..... 21.75
William Driscoll, services ..... 18.00
George S. Braman, services ..... 22.50
Charles A. Durkee, ..... 6.60
Charles Monroe, services ..... 13.50
E. Rassmunssen, services ..... 25.50
E. Keefe, services ..... 16.50
M. Linsky \& Brothers, overcoat ..... 45.00
American Woolen Company, ambulance ..... 22.90
New England Telephone Company ..... 47.57
American Woolen Company ..... 9.67
Edison Electric Illuminating Company ..... 3.84
Rosenfield Uniform Company, 1 belt ..... 9.75
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 9.00
Acton Drug Company, bulb ..... 25
C. C. Cullinan, truck ..... 50.00
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 32.18
FIRE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,300.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 356.54
Paid:
George K. Hayward, repairs ..... \$7. 05
B. A. King, pay-rolls ..... 7.50
American Woolen Company, ..... 25.57
Edison Electric illuminating Company ..... 12.94
George S. Braman, janitor ..... 67.50
George S. Braman, pay-rolls ..... 13.25
New England Telephone \& Tel. Company ..... 29.76
Acton Motor Company, batteries ..... 40.00
Acton Motor Company, labor, supplies ..... 71.16
J. J. Manning, janitor ..... 120.00
J. J. Manning, payrolls ..... 16.00
Walter S. Jones, setting glass ..... 50
A. W. Davis Company, shovels, supplies ..... 47.68
Wm. G. Lawrence, janitor ..... 127.75
West \& South water supply ..... 36.00
Arthur H. Blanchard Company, extinguish- ers, chargers, ladder hooks, etc. ..... 196.69
South Acton Woolen Company, acid ..... 33.50
Norman Livermore, gas, etc. ..... 12.40
Maynard \& Acton Oil Company, gas, oil and alcohol ..... 25.26
XIenry K. Barnes Company, supplies ..... 39.13
Albert E. Sims, labor on truck ..... 11.22
South Acton department, payrolls ..... 49.00
West Acton department, payrolls ..... 119.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, coal ..... 114.81
Finney \& Hoit, tires, tubes, bulbs ..... 29.85
J. S. Moore, paint and brushes ..... 6.75
W. B. Holt, pipe and couplings ..... 65
Acton Center department, payrolls ..... 14.00
George H. Reed, rope ..... 2.31
Linscott Motor Company, supplies ..... 2.80
Fitzgerald Garage, supplies ..... 3.35
Tate \& .Company, pipe and labor ..... 3.41
M. E. Taylor \& Company, supplies ..... 3.50
Salaries, three companies ..... 270.00
Moulton Ladder Company, ladder ..... 96.25
\$1,428.79
\$1,656.54
BRUSH FIRES
Appropriations ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:
A. W. Davis, payrolls ..... \$70.10
J. J. Manning, payrolls ..... 21.50
A. B. Frost, payrolls ..... 45.15
A. B. Frost, posting notices, investigations and express ..... 13.25
West Acton, department payrolls ..... 30.50
South Acton, department payrolls ..... 11.00
F. W. Hoit, department payrolls ..... 13.20
Acton Center, department payrolls ..... 10.18
Eastern Drug Company, soda ..... 36.34
Laffins express ..... 2.50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 3 pumps ..... 36.00
Gorham Fire Equipment Company, 12 extin- guishers ..... 82.80
\$372.52
Unexpended balance ..... 127.48
$\$ 500.00$
SPECIAL HOSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 250.00$Paid:
Arthur H. Blanchard Company, hose ..... $\$ 175.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 75.00
$\$ 250.00$
HYDRANT SERVICE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,984.00$Paid:
West, South water supply ..... \$2,750.00
Town of Concord ..... 184.00
184.00\$2,934.00
50.00
Unexpended balance\$2,984.00
MOTH DEPARTMENT
Appropriations ..... \$1,250.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 72.20
Paid:
James O'Neil, labor ..... $\$ 855.00$
James O'Neil, truck ..... 328.00
James O'Neil, gas and oil ..... 7.10
James O'Neil, expenses ..... 22.70
Arthur L. Stewart, labor and repairs ..... 13.40
James O'Neil, teams ..... 96.00
TREE WARDEN
Appropriations
Paid:
James O'Neil, labor ..... $\$ 272.00$
James O'Neil, truck ..... 63.00
James O'Neil, teams ..... 10.00
James O'Neil, filing saws etc. ..... 2.55$\$ 500.00$
\$347.55
Unexpended balance ..... 152.45
HEALTH AND SANITATION
Appropriations$\$ 500.00$
Paid:
Towne \& Robie, signs ..... $\$ 3.50$
Dr. O. L. Clark, professional services ..... 21.00
Helen Russell, services ..... 25.00
A. W. Davis Company, wire ..... 4.75
Chas. A. Durkee, services and expenses as agent to board of health ..... 211.09
W. J. Costello, signs ..... 16.00
Dr. E. A. Mayell, professional services ..... 70.00
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 8.00
James Kinsley, inspection ..... 31.20
John H. Watkins, labor ..... 34.75
Dr. F. E. Tasker, salary as chairman ..... 25.00
Dr. G. W. Tuttle, salary ..... 10.00
R. F. Durkee, salary ..... 15.00
R. F. Durkee, postage ..... 50
A. B. Frost, payroll for fire in town dump ..... 1.00
South Acton department, payroll for fire in town dump ..... 11.25
West Acton department, payroll for fire in town dump ..... 9.00

$\$ 497.04$
Unexpended balance 502.96
\$1,000.00

## TOWN NURSE

Appropriations ..... \$2,200.00
Paid:
Lillian E. Frost, nurse ..... \$2,000.16
Acton Drug Company, supplies ..... 46.53
Will Ross, supplies ..... 8.00
Jnexpended balance ..... 145.31
HIGHWAYS
Appropriation ..... \$12,000.00
Appropriation from state under Chapter 81 ..... 5,800.00
Paid:
Essco Mfg. Company, two signs ..... $\$ 4.90$
Conant Machine Company, parts and repairs on loader ..... 376.26
A. F. Davis, painting signs ..... 75
A. W. Davis, cement, tools, paint, gas, etc., ..... 104.16
Hedge \& Matthews Company, parts for mixer ..... 14.54
Fitzgerald Garage, gas and oil ..... 3.00
W. J. Costello, painting signs ..... 5.00
Tate \& Company, pipe ..... 2.75
Hall Bros. lumber ..... 3.40
George H. Reed ..... 1.00
John T. McNiff, sharpening and repairing ..... 29.75
Wetmore Savage Company ..... 9.02
Dyer Sales \& Machinery Company, guard rail ..... 112.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, lumber ..... 14.94
Chas. H. Vass Company, sprinkler attach- ment ..... 152.16
F'letcher Corner filing station, gas and oil ..... 41.78
Maynard \& Acton Oil Company, gas and oil ..... 152.20
New England Culvert Company, highway guard ..... 59.80
Barrett Company, tarvia ..... 1,004.50
Acton Motor Company, gas and oil ..... 2.85
W. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 269.70
F. S. Whitcomb, gravel ..... 13.35
John Smith, gravel ..... 14.25
James Berry, gravel ..... 43.50
Levi Perkins, gravel ..... 73.50
O. F. Nelson, lumber, repairs ..... 3.90
M. E. Taylor, gas, oil and supplies ..... 75.04
George V. Mead, posts ..... 21.25
Nelson H. Tenney, fittings ..... 3.70
E. P. Gates, sharpening, bolts etc. ..... 26.60
A. H. Perkins, freight paid ..... 1.11
Mass. Broken Stone Company, stone ..... 56.70
N. Y. N. H. \& H. R. R. Company, cinders ..... 62.50
Standard Oil Company, asphalt ..... 2,617.44
James Kinsley, gravel ..... 56.55
Margaret Spinney, gravel ..... 25.20
Allen B. Frost, gravel ..... 2.85
J. E. Gagnon, gravel ..... 6.60

## PAYROLLS

Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... \$1,100.00
Albert Wessell ..... 384.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 93.25
A. Duprey ..... 651.75
F. S. Fobes ..... 4.00
W. Larrabee ..... 682.75
P. Callan ..... 660.25
E. Hollowell ..... 28.00
J. Schofield ..... 222.25
J. Gagnon ..... 198.00
R. Boyce ..... 162.00
J. Gallant ..... 518.00
W. Scanlon ..... 384.00
J. Briggs ..... 140.50
T. Murray ..... 262.75
Campbell ..... 9.00
D. Bezanson ..... 16.25
S. Ineson ..... 20.25
E. Spinney ..... 24.25
J. Cole ..... 56.00
H. Conquest ..... 10.00
Leonard Morse ..... 8.00
L. Allard ..... 1.50
M. J. Sheehan ..... 26.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 12.50
E. Briggs ..... 178.50
R. Perkins ..... 4.00
B. Holt ..... 45.50
J. Knight ..... 32.00
W. Perkins ..... 4.00
A. Frost ..... 12.00
Trucks:
A. W. Perkins ..... \$529.50
W. H. Kingsley ..... 1,486.25
R. Jones ..... 1,419.38
A. Frost ..... 1,043.13
C. A. Morse ..... 514.75
George Hayward ..... 25.00
Teams:
A. H. Perkins ..... $\$ 40.00$
W. H. Kingsley ..... 358.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 767.00
\$17,602.76
Unexpended balance ..... 197.24
NAGOG HILL ROAD
Appropriation $\$ 1,500.00$
Paid:
Standard Oil Company, asphalt ..... \$137.50
Maynard \& Acton Oil Company, gas and oil ..... 24.98
W. B. Holt, couplings ..... 1.60
W. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 59.40
L. W. Perkins. gravel ..... 49.35
PAYROLL
Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 102.00$
W. Larrabee ..... 85.00
P. Callan ..... 65.00
A. Wessell ..... 41.00
C. Briggs ..... 37.00
J. Gallant ..... 65.00
G. Briggs ..... 57.00
A. Duby ..... 49.00
T. Murray ..... 19.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 28.00
W. Scanlon ..... 30.00
J. Knight ..... 8.00
Trucks:
A. W. Perkins ..... $\$ 51.00$
R. Jones ..... 122.50
A. Frost ..... 148.75
W. H. Kingsley ..... 232.50
C. A. Morse ..... 27.00
Teams:
L. W. Perkins ..... $\$ 24.00$

\$1,464.58Unexpended balance35.42
\$1,500.00
SCHOOL STREET AND LAW BROOK ROAD
Appropriation \$3,000.00
Unexpended balance from 1928 ..... \$347.04
Received from state under chapter 90 ..... 2,271.79
Received from county under chapter 90 ..... 2,271.79
Paid:
Westcott \& Munroe, balance of bridge con- tract ..... $\$ 945.70$
Standard Oil Company, asphalt ..... 61.00
A. J. Poutas, granite bounds ..... 98.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, lumber ..... 2.07
A. W. Davis Company, wire ..... 7.01
North Acton Concrete Construction Com- pany, covers ..... 62.90
John J. Walkins, contractor ..... 5,561.99
PAYROLLS
Labor:
A. W. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 33.00$
W. Larrabee ..... 35.00
P. Callan ..... 24.00
A. Duby ..... 22.00
A. Wessell ..... 22.00
K. Boyce ..... 16.50
W. Scanlon ..... 16.00
'T. Murray ..... 18.00
J. Gallant ..... 38.00
B. Holt ..... 18.00
G. Briggs ..... 4.00
Trucks:
A. W. Perkins ..... 18.00
C. A. Morse ..... 12.00
A. Frost ..... 70.00
R. Jones ..... 50.00
W. Kingsley ..... 60.00
Teams:
L. W. Perkins ..... 56.00
$\$ 7,251.17$639.45
Unexpended balance\$7,890. 62
SNOW REMOVAL
Appropriation\$1,500.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 189.48
\$1,689.48
Paid:
John Pederson ..... \$1,193.28
Eastern Tractor Company, snow fence ..... 130.50
Dyar Sales \& Machinery Company, blades ..... 20.00
Good Roads Machinery Company ..... 4.95
E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 42.75
PAYROLLS
Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 60.00$
W. Larrabee ..... 18.00
P. Callan ..... 16.00
A. Duby ..... 19.00
(x. Briggs ..... 8.00
J. Knight ..... 8.00
J. Gallant ..... 18.00
L. W. Perkins ..... 4.00
W. W. Kingsley ..... 12.00
Trucks:
A. W. Perkins ..... 24.00
A. Frost ..... 10.00
W. W. Kingslẹ ..... 31.50
R. Jones ..... 37.50
A. Christofferson ..... 32.00
STREET LIGHTING
Appropriation ..... $\$ 5,016.50$
Paid:
American Woolen Company ..... \$2,235. 68
Edison Electric Illuminating Company ..... 2,771.83Unexpended balance8.99$\$ 5,016.50$
PUBLIC WELFARE
Appropriation ..... \$2,500.00
Paid:
Orders as approved by the board of public welfare ..... \$2,003.03
Unexpended balance ..... 496.97
STATE AID
Appropriation ..... \$246.00
Unexpended balance ..... 54.00
MILITARY AID
Appropriation
Paid:
Orders, board of public welfare ..... $\$ 90.00$
U'nexpended balance ..... 110.00$\$ 200.00$
$\$ 200.00$
SOLDIERS' RELIEF
Appropriation ..... \$148.75
Unexpended ..... 151.25
EDUCATION
Appropriation
Reports of school committee ..... \$44,845.89
Unexpended balance
Unexpended balance ..... 154.11 ..... 154.11$\$ 45,000.00$
LIBRARY
MAINTENANCE
Appropriation $\$ 800.00$Paid:
American Woolen Company ..... $\$ 21.92$
William H. Kingsley, wood ..... 13.50
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, coal ..... 252.36
E. F. Conant, insurance ..... 39.86
Charles Dickson, painting ..... 1.00
O. E. Houghton, transporting books ..... 50.00
A. F. Davis, librarian ..... 151.50
A. F. Davis, janitor ..... 151.50
A. F. Davis, writing cards and binding books ..... 35.25
A. F. Davis, sundry expenses ..... 9.21
A. F. Davis, cataloguing ..... 10.00
H. B. McArdle ..... 86
Edison Electric Ill. Company ..... 10.64
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 3.60
Horace F. Tuttle, paid for seal ..... 5.00
Horace F. Tuttle, paid for mowing lawn ..... 2.30
E. Z. Stanley, repairs ..... 10.00
M. E. Taylor \& Company, supplies ..... 9.21
\$777. 71
Unexpended balance ..... 22.29
Old Stoughton Musical Society ..... 2.10
F. W. Fayon Company ..... 4.65
E. P. Dutton \& Company Inc. ..... 22.46
Campbell \& Leunig ..... 16.87
Herman Goldberger ..... 51.40
Union Library Association ..... 25.93
Jean Karr ..... 5.65
$\$ 691.64$
CEMETERY
Appropriation ..... \$1,000.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 4.08
$\$ 1,004.08$
Paid:
Fred Green, labor ..... \$712.66
Fred Green, team ..... 43.25
James Grimes, labor ..... 1.50
A. W. Davis ..... 4.00
C. B. Dolge, weed killer ..... 81.24
C. B. Dolge, lease of cart ..... 5.00
A. F. Davis, painting seats ..... 2.50
M. E. Taylor \& Company, tools ..... 10.43
West \& South Water Supply ..... 12.00
W. H. Kingsley, team ..... 12.00
Y. \& A. Trading Company, taupaulin ..... 16.00
O. F. Nelson, sharpening mowers ..... 12.00
Albert Batley \& Son, flowers ..... 41.75
E. F. Conant, insurance ..... 8.00
J. W. Livermore, mowing ..... 9.00
J. L. Fairbanks, binding book ..... 4.75
Horace F. Tuttle, recording deeds ..... 8.00
Horace F. Tuttle, staking out lots ..... 5.00
Horace F. Tuttle, compiling report for lots in perpetual care ..... 15.00
PERPETUAL CARE
Received interest on cemetery fund\$1,290.75
Paid:
F. W. Green, labor ..... \$1,290.75
\$1,290.75
Received from surplus account ..... \$88.58
George K. Hayward, labor and material ..... \$63.43
William J. Kingsley, truck ..... 10.00
William J. Kingsley, gravel ..... 1.05
A. W. Davis Company, brush, padlock ..... 14.10
INSURANCE OF EMPLOYEES
Appropriation
Paid:
Paul R. Hederstedt ..... \$462.19
Unexpended balance ..... 37.81 ..... 37.81$\$ 500.00$
$\$ 500.00$
MEMORIAL DAY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
Marsten \& Wells Fireworks Mfg. Co., flags ..... $\$ 25.50$
Acton Cadet Band ..... 130.00
Sovell Bus Line Inc., transportation ..... 30.00
A. W. Davis Company, paper ..... 1.20
A. C. Jones, provisions ..... 6.96
Strong \& Tracey, provisions ..... 13.91
First Baptist Church ..... 10.00
R. E. Wright, food ..... 2.16
A. Batley \& Son, flowers ..... 41.50
$\$ 261.23$
38.77
Unexpended balance ..... 7
$\$ 300.00$
DEMONSTRATION WORK AND AGRICULTURE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$Paid:
Middlesex County Extension Service ..... $\$ 300.00$ TOWN FOREST
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
A. B. Frost, labor ..... $\$ 27.00$
A. B. Frost, cord ..... 50
\$27.50
Unexpended balance ..... 272.50
\$300.00
ROAD MACHINERY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 5,000.00$
Paid:
Buffalo Springfield Roller Company ..... $\$ 4,500.00$
W. Larrabee, labor ..... 4.00
J. Schofield, labor ..... 4.00
W. H. Kingsley, labor ..... 4.00
W. H. Kingsley, truck ..... 10.00
$\$ 4,522.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 478.00
FILLING IN DUMP NEAR WOODLAWNAppropriation$\$ 300.00$Paid:
Greenough Conts. Company, contract ..... $\$ 300.00$
IMPROVEMENT TO COMMON
Appropriation
Inexpended balance on surplus War Bonus fund ..... $\$ 655.95$Paid:
A. B. Frost, labor ..... \$252.90
A. B. Frost, truck ..... 369.00
A. B. Frost, transportation ..... 8.00
M. E. Taylor, grass seed ..... 6.80 ..... 16.50

A. W. Davis Company, fertilizer

A. W. Davis Company, fertilizer

A. W. Davis Company, fertilizer
\$653.20
\$653.20
Unexpended balance
Unexpended balance ..... 2.75 ..... 2.75
ATHLETIC* FIELD
Appropriation ..... \$2,000.00
Paid:
Greenough Conts. Company, contract ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
RESERVE FUND
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,200.00$
Transferred to:
Buildings and grounds ..... $\$ 45.72$
Police department ..... 228.79
Fire department ..... 356.54
Moth department ..... 72.20
Snow removal ..... 189.48
Interest ..... 80.00
Cemeteries ..... 4.08
\$976. 81
Unexpended balance ..... 223.19
INTEREST ON FUNDED DEBT
Appropriation ..... \$2,580.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 80.00
$\$ 2,660.00$
Paid:
Merchants' National Bank ..... \$2,240.00
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 240.00
First National Bank of Ayer ..... 180.00
INTEREST ON REVENUE LOANS
Appropriation
Paid:
First National Bank of Ayer ..... \$2,311.11
Unexpended balance ..... 288.89$\$ 2,600.00$
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS
Appropriation
Paid:
Merchants' National Bank, H. S. bonds ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
Assabet Institution for Savings, road note ..... 2,000.00
First National Bank of Ayer, road note ..... 800.00
First National Bank of Ayer, fire house note ..... 800.00 note
$\$ 2,600.00$\$9,600.00UNCLASSIFIED
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:
Lungmotor Corporation, repairs and over- hauling lungmotor ..... \$75.75
Howard A. Wilson, services ..... 120.00
Reformatory for women, flag ..... 15.39
Simon and Mary Olsen, deed ..... 1.00
Anton Christianson, deed ..... 1.00
C. A. Durkee, insurance on roller ..... 33.75
Sexton Can Company, measure ..... 10.80
Paul R. Hederstedt, insurance on fire truck ..... 4.37
Finney \& Hoit, flags ..... 13.00
John W. Evans, land damage ..... 75.00
George S. Braman, care of flag ..... 5.00
Globe Newspaper Company, adv ..... 11.20
N. E. Road Builders Association, adv. ..... 9.90
Enterprise Company, adv. ..... 60
R. S. Osterhout, adv. ..... 11.64 ..... 4
Horace F. Tuttle, surveying and writing deeds ..... 15.00
$\$ 403.40$
$\$ 403.40$
Unexpended ..... 96.60 ..... 96.60$\$ 9,600.00$Paid:Received, First National Bank of Ayer . . . . 50,000.00Amount outstanding December 31, 1929 . . . 25,000.00$\$ 95,000.00$
REFUNDS
Paid:
1927 tax ..... \$ 9.15
1928 tax ..... 15.60
1929 tax ..... 57.69
1929 excise tax ..... 189.22

\$271.66
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Due from collector January 1, 1929 ..... \$63,998.98
Received state tax ..... 4,250.00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
State snow removal ..... 151.21
County tax ..... 4,835.84
County Tuberculosis tax ..... 655.40
Added assessment ..... 2.00
Overlay ..... 2,998.68
Town grant ..... 75,736.00
Motor vehicle excise tax ..... 9,227. 67

\$163,428.98
Treasurer's cash on hand, January 1, 1929 . \$19,286.75
Received interest on taxes ..... 3,750.92
Received receipts other than taxes ..... 88,309.64
\$274,776.29
Paid:
State tax ..... $\$ 4,250.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
State snow removal ..... 151.21
County tax ..... 4,835.84
County tuberculosis tax ..... 655.40
General government ..... 4,639.15
Treasurer's and collector's bond ..... 270.00
Buildings and grounds ..... 845.72
Police department ..... 1,428.79
Fire department ..... 1,656.54
Brush fire ..... 372.52
Hose ..... 175.00
Hydrant service ..... 2,934.00
Moth department ..... 1,322.20
Tree warden ..... 347.55
Health and sanitation ..... 497.04
'Town nurse ..... 2,054.69
Highways 17,602.76
Nagog Hill road ..... 1,464.58
School street and Laws Brook road ..... 7,251.17
Snow removal ..... 1,689.48
Street lighting ..... 5,007.51
Public welfare ..... 2,003.03
State aid ..... 246.00
Military aid ..... 90.00
Soldiers' relief ..... 148.75
Education ..... 44,845.89
Play grounds ..... 2,000.00
Library maintenance ..... 777.71
Library books ..... 691.64
Cemeteries ..... 1,004.08
Cemeteries perpetual care ..... 1,290.75
Cemeteries surplus account ..... 88.58
Unclassified ..... 403.40
Liability insurance ..... 462.19
Memorial day ..... 261.23
Demonstration work in agriculture ..... 300.00
Town forest ..... 27.50
Road machinery ..... 4,522.00
Filling in dump near Woodlawn ..... 300.00
Improvement on common ..... 653.20
Interest funded debt ..... 2,660.00
Interest revenue loans ..... 2,311.11
Notes and bonds ..... 9,600.00
Revenue loans ..... 70,000.00
Refunds ..... 82.44
Refunds, motor vehicle excise tax ..... 189.22
Refunds to state treasurer, National Bank tax ..... 86
$\$ 205,983.93$
Abatements ..... \$857.82
Abatements, motor vehicle excise tax ..... 475.76
'Tax titles ..... 240.12
Amount due from collector Dec. 31, 1929 ..... 48,564.06
Treasurer's balance ..... 18,656. 26
\$274,777.95
Liess amount due collector over remittance of 1927 taxes ..... 1.66
\$274,776.29
OVERLAYS 1927
Balance January 1, 1929 ..... \$3,227.22
Abatements ..... $\$ 541.08$
Refunds ..... 9.15
Transferred to overlay surplus ..... 2,676.99

1928
Balance January 1, 1929 ..... \$3,645.9i
Abatements ..... \$157.30
Refunds ..... 15.60
$\$ 172.90$
Balance December 31, 1929 \$3,473.07
1929
Overlay ..... \$2,998. 68
Abatements ..... \$159.44
Refunds ..... 57.69
\$217. 13Balance December 31, 1929\$2,781.55
MOTOR VEHICLES EXCISE TAX REVENUE Amount committed to collector ..... $\$ 9,227.67$
Refunds ..... \$189.22
Abatements ..... 475.76
Estimated receipts account total amount collected ..... 6,166.12
\$6,831.10
Balance December 31, 1929\$2,396.57
TAX TITLE REVENUE
Balance January 1, 1929 ..... \$134.31
Added during 1929 ..... 240.12
Balance December 31, 1929 ..... $\$ 374.43$
SURPLUS ACCOUNTS
Balance January 1, 1929 ..... \$24,165. 65
Surplus revenue for 1929
Surplus revenue for 1929 ..... 10,082.46 ..... 10,082.46\$34,248.11
Dr.
Revenue account 1929 ..... \$10,000.00
Tax title revenue ..... 240.12
Refund to state treasurer on account national bank tax ..... 86
\$10,240.98
Balance December 31, 1929 ..... \$24,007. 13
Cash

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\begin{array}{r}
\$ 14,295.82 \\
31,871.67 \\
2,396.57
\end{array}
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| Cash | \$18,656 .26 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Accounts receivable: |  |
| Taxes: |  |
| Levy of 1928 | \$14,295.82 |
| Levy of 1929 | 31,871.67 |
| Motor vehicle excise tax, 1929, | 2,396.57 |
|  | \$48,564.06 |
| Tax titles | \$374.43 |
| Departmental: |  |
| General accounts | \$ 24.36 |
| Public welfare | 239.27 |
| State aid .... | 246.00 |

Overlay surplus
Surplus revenue

$\$ 25,000.00$
1.66

Town Accountant.

## BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1929

LiABILITIES
C. A. Durkee, collector .................
School street and Law Brook road appropriation balance
Tax title revenue
Motor vehicle excise tax revenue
Departmental revenue ..........
Overlay 1928
Surplus revenue ..........................

## $89^{\circ} 60$ 9 $\$$ <br> \$68,104.38

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Year Ending December 31, 1929.

Cash on hand
\$19,286.75
Received from State Treasurer:
Income tax, 1928 ..... \$530.00
Loss of land taxes ..... 409.17
Income tax ..... 204.85
Corporation tax, P. S. 1928 ..... 29
Corporation tax, B., 1929 ..... 245.63
National Bank tax, 1928 ..... 16
Corporation tax, P. S. ..... 427.95
Corporation tax, B ..... 3,688.90
Income tax ..... 14,260.00
National Bank tax ..... 208.22
Trust Company tax ..... 123.70
Military aid ..... 7.50
State aid ..... 264.00
Veterans Exemption ..... 46.11
Tuition of children ..... 131.25
Corporations tax, B. ..... 408.17
National Bank tax, 1927 ..... 79
National Bank tax, 1928 ..... 17
Highway department ..... 3,200.00
Highway department ..... 2,600.00
Highway department ..... 933.75
Highway department ..... 466.67
Highway department ..... 871.37
County Treasurer:
Dog tax ..... 629.43
Highway department ..... 466.66
Highway department ..... 871.37
Highway department ..... 933.76
Town of Charlton ..... 84.50
J. J. Dee, Probation officer ..... 10.00
W. H. Kingsley, Center school out building ..... 22.00
State aid to Independent Ind. schools ..... 4.96
Director of Standards ..... 24.00
Non-permit fires ..... 13.10
Murray Brown, deed ..... 1.00
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
F. E. Griffin, milk license ..... 10.00
American Woolen Company, E. L. rebate ..... 75
James O'Neil, use of sprayer ..... 35.00
H. S. Insurance, rebate ..... 9.70
'Two alcohol licenses ..... 2.00
Town hall rent ..... 179.00
Town of Concord, Nagog taxes ..... 25.12
Cemetery lots sold, Mt. Hope ..... 83.00
Cemetery lots sold, Wondlawn ..... 80.00
Rent of lowering device ..... 57.00
Loam sold ..... 13.00
Lovell Bus Line, Inc., license ..... 5.00
American Woolen Company, refund of E. L. deposit ..... 50.00
E. J. Bursaw, advertisement expenses ..... 2.28
First National bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
School tuition, Boxboro ..... 2,563.28
School tuition, H. A. Steele ..... 73.50
School tuition, Leo Cunningham ..... 180.75
School tuition, Harvard ..... 164.00
School tuition, Mrs. Thompson ..... 30.00
School tuition, Carlisle ..... 48.00
Nurses collections ..... 127.25
Library fines ..... 66.00
Court fines ..... 227.07
Sealer of Weights and Measures ..... 59.85
First National bank, interest ..... 206.69
Licenses, selectmen ..... 51.00
Cemetery fund, care of lots ..... 1,290.75
Library fund, book account ..... 491.64
Cemetery surplus account ..... 88.58
\$88,309.64
Received of C. A. Durkee, collector:: 1927 taxes ..... \$22,164.82
1928 taxes ..... 30,326. 32
1929 taxes ..... 58,194.19
1929 excise taxes ..... 6,358.47
Paid selectmen's orders ..... \$205,983.93
Cash on hand ..... \$18,656.26
Funds Held for Care of Cemetery LotsPerpetual care funds\$32,533. 08
Unexpended balance ..... 3,989.70
Issac S. Ford lot ..... $\$ 50.00$
Ida F. Dyke lot ..... 75.00
Margaret P. Schauler lot ..... 100.00
Levi Stevens lot ..... 100.00
Thomas Taylor lot ..... 100.00
Everett Flagg lot ..... 100.00
Thomas Scanlon lot ..... 75.00
Wm. and Mary Law lot ..... 100.00
Moses A. Reed lot ..... 50.00
Wm. and Clarence Brown lot ..... 100.00
Alice Davis lot ..... 100.00
Daniel H. Farrar lot ..... 100.00
Income from :
W. and S. water district bonds ..... \$186.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 100.00
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 100.40
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 195.73
East Cambridge Savings ..... 100.00
Boston Five Cent Savings ..... 95.00
Home Savings bank ..... 47.50
Suffolk Savings bank ..... 116.54
Worcester Five Cent Savings ..... 71.25
Marlboro Savings bank ..... 50.00
Maynard Trust Company ..... 146.80
North Middlesex Savings ..... 86.50
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 125.28
Central Savings, Lowell ..... 45.50
North End Savings ..... 34.94
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 201.67
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 28.25

\$1,731.36
Transferred to surplus account ..... \$231.24
\$1,500.12
\$39,072.90
Paid town of Acton, care of lots \$1,290.75
Water District bonds ..... 4,500.00
Maynard Trust Company ..... 3,228.96
Central Savings, Lowell ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 2,875.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 1,800.00
Home Savings ..... 1,000.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 1,500.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 2,000.00
Boston Five Cent Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 1,000.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000.00
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 2,200.00
Suffolk Savings ..... 3,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 3,929.20
North End Savings ..... 762.30
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 117.94
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 728.25
Assabet Institution for Savings balance ..... 4,140.50Treasurer.
Cemetery Surplus Account
Balance on hand ..... $\$ 501.15$
Interest ..... 23.48
Transferred from cemetery account ..... 231.24
\$755.87
Transferred to town account ..... 88.58
Assabet Institution for Savings, balance ..... 667.29
$\$ 755.87$
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Nineteenth of April Fund
Principal fund ..... 306.64
Interest ..... 15.50
Cash in Middlesex Institution for Savings, ..... 322.14
FRANK W .HOIT,
Treasurer.
Fireman's Relief Fund
Principal Fund ..... \$432.68
Interest ..... 21.88
\$454.56
Cash in Middlesex Institution ..... 454.56
Wilde Memorial Library
Principal fund ..... $\$ 9,000.00$
Susan Augusta and Luther Conant fund ..... 1,000.00
Hiram J. Hapgood fund ..... 200.00
Luke Tuttle fund ..... 200.00
John D. Heald fund, August 3 ..... 666.00
Unexpended balance ..... 141.12
\$11,207. 12
Received interest
West Shore R. R. bonds ..... $\$ 40.00$
Home Savings bank ..... 47.50
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 50.63
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 5.55
City Institution for Savings ..... 45.50
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 151.88
North End Savings ..... 48.06
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 96.13
Maynard Trust Company ..... 23.63
\$508.88
\$11,716.00
Paid town book account ..... \$491.64
Home Savings bank ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 1,000.00
Lowell City Trust ..... 1,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 3,000.00
Massachusetts Savings ..... 1,000.00
Warren Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 666.00
Maynard Trust Company ..... 400.00
West Shore R. R. bond ..... 1,000.00
Maynard Trust Company, balance ..... 158.36
$\$ 11,716.00$

FRANK W. HOIT, Treasurer.

## Elizabeth White Fund

Principal Fund
\$25,000.00
Unexpended balance
3,036.78
Interest received
Andover Savings .......................... . 100.00
Athol Savings . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 100.40
Waltham Savings .......................... . . 95.00
North Middlesex Savings ................ $\quad 95.00$
East Cambridge Savings . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 100.00
Marlboro Savings . ........................... . . 100.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 100.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 100.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 100.00
Amherst Savings ..... 100.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 95.00
Lowell Institution for Savings ..... 90.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 50.00
Assabet Institution for Savings ..... 131.70

\$1,357.10
\$29,393.88
Paid trustees' orders \$1,360.00
Andover Savings bank ..... 2,000.00
Athol Savings bank ..... 2,000.00
Waltham Savings bank ..... 2,000.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 2,000.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 2,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 2,000.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 2,000.00
Middlesex Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Amherst Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
Lowell Institution for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 1,000.00
Assabet Institution for Savings, balance ..... 3,033.88
$\$ 29,393.88$

FRANK W. HOIT,<br>Treasurer.

## Outstanding Notes and Bonds

Note No. 99, Lowell road, due July, 1930 ...... \$2,000. 00
Note No. 100 Lowell road, due July, 1931 ....... 2,000.00
Note No. 104, Fire House, due Cctober, 1930 .... 800.00
Note No. 105, Fire House, due October, 1931 .... 700.00
Note No. 108, Lowell road, due November, 1930 .. 700.00
Note No. 109, Lowell road, due November, 1931 .. 700.00
Note No. 116, Anticipation revenue, due December,
1930 ....................... $25,000.00$
High school bonds, due 1930 ........................... $\quad 6,000.00$
High school bonds, due 1931 to 1945 ................. 44,000.00

## GOODNOW FUND

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1929

## INVESTMENTS

Warren Institution for Savings ..... \$1,379.40
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ..... \$1,000.00
City Institution for Savings, Lowell ..... \$1,000.00
RECEIPTS
Warren Institution for Savings ..... $\$ 65.07$
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ..... 50.00
City Institution for Savings ..... 45.00
PAYMENTS
Ella L. Miller, treasurer of the Evangelical church in Acton ..... $\$ 125.00$
Fred W. Green, care of Goodnow lot, Wood- lawn cemetery ..... 10.00
Unused income, added to savings deposit ..... 25.07

## ELIZABETH WHITE FUND

The trustees have signed orders to the treasurer for $\$ 1,360.00$ (Thirteen hundred and sixty dollars), for the year ending December 31, 1929. Of this, we have given, where in our best judgment, it was most needed, to assist over some unfortunate time when help was most needed.

Respectfully submitted,
WARREN H. JONES,
WILLIAM H. KINGSLEY, WALDO E. WHITCOMB,
Trustees of the Elizabeth White Fund.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT, 1929

Buildings, exclusive of land $\$ 2,329,025.00$ Land ..... $714,451.00$
Personal ..... 546,840.00
Valuation, April 1, 1929 ..... \$3,651,420.00
Rate of taxation, $\$ 24.60$
'Tax assessed as follows :
Real estate ..... \$74,869.50
Personal estate ..... 13,452.38
Polls ..... 1,602.00
\$89,923. 88
Amount of money raised:
State Tax ..... \$4,250. 00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
Snow removal tax ..... 151.21
County tax ..... 4,835.84
County tuberculosis tax ..... 655.40
Town grant ..... 75,459.55
Overlay ..... 2,998.68
\$89,923.88
December assessment:
Buildings, exclusive of land ..... $\$ 5,000.00$
Land ..... 1,150.00
\$10,750.00
Tax assessed as follows:
Real ..... \$236.16
Personal ..... 28.29
Polls ..... 12.00
Number of motor vehicles assessed ..... 1038
T'otal valuation of motor vehicles ..... $\$ 351,430.00$
Rate of taxation ..... \$29. 65
Total tax assessed ..... \$9,227. 67

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

1927 TAXESDr.
Uncollected January 1, 1929 ..... \$20,635. 60
Interest collected ..... 2,198.26
\$22,833.86
Cr.
Paid Treasurer ..... \$22,164. 82
Tax title ..... 129.62
Abatements ..... 541.08
\$22,835.52
Over remitted ..... 1.66
\$22,833.86
1928 TAXESDr.
Uncollected January 1, 1929 ..... \$43,363. 38
Committed February 4, 1929 ..... 2.00
Interest collected ..... $1,524.56$
$\$ 44,889.94$
Cr.
Paid Treasurer ..... \$30,326.32
Abatements ..... 157.30
Tax title ..... 110.50
Uncollected ..... 14,295.82
$\$ 44,889.94$
1929 TAXES
Dr.
Committed ..... \$90,200. 33
Interest collected ..... 24.97
Cr.
$\$ 90,225.30$
Paid Treasurer ..... \$58,194.19
Abatements ..... 159.44
Tax title ..... 104.55
Uncollected ..... 31,767.12

## 1929 EXCISE

Dr.
Committed ..... \$9,227. 67
Interest collected ..... 3.13
$\$ 9,230.80$
Cr.
Paid Treasurer ..... \$6,358.47
Abatements ..... 475.76Uncollected2,396.57

CHARLES A. DURKEE Tax Collector.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

For the Year Ending December 31, 1929

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& \text { Burial permits issued in Acton ........... } 32 \\
& \text { Burial permits of non-residents ........... } 23 \\
& \text { Burial permits of residents who died in }
\end{aligned}
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List of contagious diseases reported to the Board of Health, January 1, 1929, to December 31, 1929 :
Chicken Pox ..... 1
Influenza ..... 11
Measles ..... 7
Scarlet fever ..... 2
Total ..... 21
(Deaths, none.)

Your board would recommend that $\$ 1,000.00$ be appropriated for use of the board for the present year.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { ACTON BOARD OF HEALTH, } \\
& \text { C. A. Durkee, Agent. }
\end{aligned}
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## REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

To the Board of Health:Fees collected\$215.75Number of Metropolitan calls ..... 195
Number of John Hancock calls ..... 27
Number of Town pay calls ..... 100
Number of Town non-pay calls ..... 200
Number of Child welfare calls ..... 250
Number of Social service calls ..... 300
Respectfully submitted, LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N. Public Health Nurse.
INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING
Hogs ..... 5
Veal ..... 9
Beef ..... 2
Total ..... 16
JAMES KINSLEY.Inspector

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of the Town of Acton:
During the year 1929 we have aided eleven persons. These cases are of a permanent nature, excepting two, who will become State charges early in the Spring. One died, which leaves nine who will need continuous help indefinitely.

Respectfully submitted, WENDELL F. DAVIS, HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITCOMB.

Department of Public Welfare.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
I herewith submit my report for the fire department. The department has been very prompt in answering all calls and has done very good work. The different companies have answered calls as follows:

|  | Buildings | Grass | Autos | Chimneys | Others |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Center | 4 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| West | 5 | 13 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| South | 4 | 7 |  | 2 | 5 |

The apparatus is in good condition and the new ladder truck is a much needed addition, and the South Precinct is to be congratulated on having members willing to spend their time and money in bettering the equipment. We must have some new hose and a number of much needed supplies, and with the expense of heating and caring for the three buildings. I would recommend an appropriation of $\$ 2,000.00$ and $\$ 700.00$ for new hose.

FRRANK W. HOIT,
Chief Engineer.

## TOWN FORESTER

The Town Forest of about 22 acres is about two thirds seeded to white pine. The entire tract was covered for white pine weavel; 649 growths were removed and tops tied up.

A small amount of releasing should be done the present year, and some white pine set out.

I would recommend that $\$ 150$ be appropriated.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report for the year end-ing December 31, 1929.
Arrests made:
Drunkenness ..... 3
Illegal sale of intoxicating liquors ..... 1
Manufacturing intoxicating liquors ..... 3
Drunkenness and operating under the influence of liquor ..... 3
Operating under influence of liquor and speeding ..... 1
Operating without a license and failing to stop for police officer ..... 1
Illegal transportation of liquor ..... 1
Assault ..... 2
Begetting ..... 1
Violation of probation rules ..... 3
Operating without a license ..... 2
IIit and run drivers ..... 2
Committed to the State Hospital at Westboro ..... 1
Total arrests ..... 24
Respectfully submitted, MICHAEL FOLEY Chief of Police
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton:
I herewith submit my report for the year 1929:464
Young cattle ..... 133
Bulls ..... 23
Swine ..... 263
Sheep ..... 16
Goats ..... 2
Stables ..... 121
Condemned ..... 3Respectfully submitted,FRED S. WHITCOMB,Inspector.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
I herewith submit my report of work done in your town last year outside of the ordinary maintenance, such as scraping, dragging, surface repairs and packing.

## CHAPTER 81

## WORK DONE OTHER THAN GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Surface treatment of $45 \%$ of asphaltic oil applied on the following streets: Arlington, Central, Chadwick, Davis road, Davis terrace, Brooks, Liberty, Main, Martin, Maple Pope, Prospect, Quimby, School (S. A.), School (W. A.), Stow, Strawberry Hill, Summer, Willow, High, Hosmer, Newtown road, Wright terrace, Woodbury lane, Taylor street, Harris street, Church street.

Surface treatment with tarvia B, Concord road, Massachusetts avenue, Pearl street, Windsor avenue.

## OTHER WORK DONE

Concord Street-2400 feet gravel.
Conant Road-550 feet gravel.
Robbins Road- 300 feet gravel.
Windsor Avenue-600 feet gravel.
Arlington Street-300 feet gravel.
Harris Street-700 feet gravel.
Esterbrook Road-1100 feet gravel.
Pope Road-700 feet gravel.
Strawberry Hill Road- 500 feet gravel.
Charter Road-200 feet gravel.
Kingsby Street-300 feet gravel.
Nashoba Road- 700 feet gravel
Carlisle Road-435 feet gravel
Wheeler Lane-200 feet gravel.
High Street-450 feet gravel.
Parker Street-200 feet gravel
Stow Road-700 feet gravel.
Railroad Street-200 feet gravel.
Quimby Street-200 feet gravel.

## SPECIAL WORK

Nagog Hill Road-2,000 feet gravel and oil, and cutting brush.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. PERKINS. Superintendent of Streets.

## EXTENSION SERVICE

The following is a report of the work carried on in the town of Acton under the auspices of the Middlesex County Extension Service.

In boys' and girls' 4 -H club work, 57 were enrolled in the clothing, food, handicraft, poultry, garden and canning clubs. Mrs. R. Stoney, Miss Annie Bulette, Miss E. Taylor, Charles Edney and Porter Jenks of Acton and Alex Balnis of Maynard assisted as local leaders. James Edney was awarded a trip to the Madison Square Poultry Show, New York City, to judge on a poultry judging team at this show. Annie Bulette took part in the county cotton dress contest. Wallace Sims was awarded one of the prizes offered by the Middlesex North Agricultural society for having an excellent garden. Several of the boys and girls attended the $4-\mathrm{H}$ club rally held in Concord.

In home economics four groups of women have been interested in the work-two in North Acton, one in South Acton and one in West Acton. A series of five meetings were held in each of these communities in the Living-room Improvement project. In addition to the women attending these meetings information was passed on to 145 women and a great many changes were made in the homes as a result of the information furnished. These same sections carried on a series of meetings on Vegetable Preparation which were very successful. Professor William R. Cole of the Massachusetts Agricultural College gave a canning demonstration for the benefit of the Acton women.

In agriculture a great deal of assistance has been rendered individual farmers who have requested service from the Extension Service office. A tour of applestorages was made in town and the storages of Ralph Piper and A. S. Phillips were visited by thirty-five men. Ralph Piper was one of two farmers within the county, and of fifteen in the state, to successfully win out in the state-wide $90 \%$ Clean Apple Club, fostered by the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Cooperating with the Acton Agricultural Fair Association, an exhibit was put on at the time of the Fair and judges were furnished in several of the departments. Sixty-two farm visits were made in the town of Acton.

Acton Center has been used a great deal for meetings of county-wide organizations such as The Middlesex County Poultry Association, The Nashoba Cow Test Association, etc.

Seven motion picture shows were given to a total attendance of 944 .

County-wide meetings have been available to Acton people in poultry, fruit growing and market gardening and many attended the county picnic held during the summer at Wayside Inn, Sudbury, Mass.

## ELECTRIC LIGHT COMMITTEE

At the annual town meeting, March 11, 1929, it was voted: That a committee of six be appointed by the Selectmen with full power to act as they deem for the best interests of the Town in all negotiations relating to electric lighting in the Town of Acton the ensuing year.

Acting under this vote, the Selectmen on April 13 appointed the following committee:
W. Stuart Allen, Frank Merriam, Frederick Burke, Arthur F. Blanchard, Arthur M. Whitcomb and Horace F. Tuttle.

On April 20, this committee came together and W. Stuart Allen was appointed Chairman.

Taking the report of the electric light committee appointed by the Town for 1928 as a foundation for the continuance of this work, it was found that two recommendations were the funda. mental consideration of this report as follows:

That it was most desirable for the Town of Acton to be supplied with 60 cycle current instead of 40 cycle current.

That to assure the users of electric current in the Town of Acton of a minimum rate, it was desirable to have a municipal company either manufacuring its own current or buying it at wholesale from some company connected with the town lines.

Because of the investment necessary and the additional cost of changing from 40 to 60 cycle current, a municipal company to handle the electric lighting in the Town of Acton was considered impracticable at this time by this committee.

On the 22nd day of April, a hearing was held by the Department of Public Utilities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on a joint petition of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston and the American Woolen Company for the approval of the purchase by the first named company of the electric property of the last named company in the towns of Maynard and Acton.

This committee attended this hearing and supported the petitions because of the following reasons:

1. Because it offered an opportunity to change from 40 to 60 cycle electric current.
2. Because the American Woolen Company had almost reached the capacity of its present plant and would of necessity, if it continued in business, be obliged to put in new equipment and if this was done, a later change from 40 to 60 cycle would be still more expensive than at present.
3. Because the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston were the logical people to supply electric current to the towns of Maynard and Acton as is evidenced by the map showing territories supplied by them filed with this report.
4. Because the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston was the most reliable company in the estimation of this committee, bidding for the electrical business of the American Woolen Company at this time.

The purchase price agreed upon by the two companies is $\$ 381,000$. While this is much more than the cost of the property to the American Woolen Company, it was the opinion of the Department of Public Utilities of the Commonwealth of Massa. chusetts that under all circumstances, it was in the public interest that the sale be consummated. Therefore, on May 3, 1929, the petition of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston and the American Woolen Company was approved by the Department of Public Utilities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

It was the original intention of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to continue the old rates as established by the American Woolen Company until such time as the change was consummated from 40 to 60 cycle electric current but on June 17, 1929, the Edison Company decided to continue the old rates in connection with street lighting but to change to their own rates as are set forth in the circular filed with this report under Resident Rate B. Inasmuch as the users of electric current in the Town of Acton received bills from the Edison Company since that date, details here are not necessary.

On November 7, 1929, a hearing was started before the Department of Public Utilities of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the maximum price of electricity sold and delivered by the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to its household or domestic customers. This hearing has been continued and a finding not yet rendered.

Since the starting of this hearing, the question of zoning system of ratings has been raised. The following is a statement by L. R. Wallis, Superintendent of the Sales Department of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston:
"Regarding the zoning system, this company has no zoning system in spite of Roger Babson's statement to the contrary. The company's policy from the beginning has been to charge the same rates throughout the entire territory it serves ( 625 square miles in 38 cities and towns), and this policy has been approved by the Massachusetts regulatory authorities. The Company will not change this policy except with the consent of the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities.'

The Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston have opened offices on Nason Street in Maynard where incandescent
lamp service and all matters pertaining to electric service in the Town of Acton can be taken up. A pamphlet of incandescent lamp service is filed with this report.

General power is available for use in Acton by electric current in the Edison Electric Company's General Power Rate F, a pamphlet of which is filed with report.

This electric current service is available on application to the Sales Department of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston. The customer pays for all construction beyond the first section of wire from the street mains. No charge, however, will be made if the cost is $\$ 5.00$ or less. The Company will do additional private property work if paid for by the customer or the customer may have this done by his contractor.

At the hearing before the Department of Public Utilities, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on the petition as before-mentioned, particular mention was made by your committee and agreed to by the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston that, at the time of change from 40 cycle to 60 cycle electric current, all apparatus designed to be used on 40 cycle current would be changed to apparatus suitable for 60 cycle current at the expense of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston.

Since taking over the business of the American Woolen Company, however, the Edison Electric Illuminating Company reserved the privilege of passing on the reasonableness of the cost of changing any apparatus from 40 cycle to 60 cycle before such installation is made.

It was the original intention of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston to serve Maynard and Acton with electric current by way of Saxonville to Maynard, but since that time, the situation of furnishing the Town of Concord with electric current came up.

From the point of view of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, the business of the Town of Concord was desirable because in acquiring the towns of Maynard and Acton, their service completely surrounded the Town of Concord and the work of serving Acton and Maynard from Saxonville was held up so that these towns might be served through Concord should they be able to acquire the privilege of serving the Town of Concord.

The committee have followed closely and with interest this situation until at the last town meeting in the Town of Concord, it was voted that arrangements be made to purchase electric current from the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston at wholesale to be distributed at retail by the municipal lighting company of the Town of Concord and it will be interesting to follow and note the future rates to be made by the municipal company in the Town of Concord.

The date set in the contract between the Town of Concord
and the Edison Electric Illuminating Company for this service to commence is November 1, 1930, subject to riots, strikes, delay in shipments, etc.

It is, therefore, apparent that it will be some time after this date before the change form 40 cycle to 60 cycle can be consummated in the Town of Acton, probably the first of December or later.

At present, the Town of Acton has the following street lights in service:

360 candle power lights burning all night.
18460 candle power lights burning from 15 minutes after sunset until 1:30 a.m.
75 candle power lights burning from 15 minutes after sunset until 1:30 a.m.

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The reason for burning three of these lights all night is because they are on that stretch of road between Concord and Maynard in the Town of Acton and are served with electric current through the Town of Maynard's line on this same street and the Town of Maynard's schedule is an all-night schedule.

The cost of these three lights is $\$ 18.35$ per year.
The cost of the remaining lights burning from 15 minutes after sunset until 1:30 a.m. is $\$ 16.00$ per year, making a total cost at present of $\$ 5,015.05$.

These rates will apply until the change is made from 40 cycle to 60 cycle electric current, when the Edison Electric IIluminating Company of Boston will supply current under their Street Lighting Rate E as per pamphlet filed with this report.

All of the lights at that time will be 80 candle power and the cost of the three lights burning all night will be $\$ 20.55$.

The remaining lights will be $\$ 17.43$ per year, making a total charge per year for the present number of lights of $\$ 5,464.95$.

It was the thought of this committee that there were some unnecessary lights on the streets of Acton, but in trying to cut down the quanity of these lights, it was apparent that it could not be accomplished without discrimination between those persons where these lights were not situated.

Therefore, it seemed the best policy of this committee to leave the present number of lights as they are now situated unless those people living in the vicinity of electric lights which are not deemed necessary by them, would voluntarily come to this committee or the Selectmen of the Town of Acton and agree to the discontinuance of such lights and so save on every light discontinued before the consummated change from 40 to 60 cycle current, $\$ 16.00$ per year.

It has been the experience of other towns that all-night lighting has become of great value in preventing accidents and crime, and a great convenience for the users of highways during the remaining dark hours.

If all-night lighting is considered by the town, it would increase the cost about $\$ 738.85$ per year. The present lighting until 1.30 a.m. covers 2550 hours per year and all-night lighting would cover 3750 hours per year.

The Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston do not require a contract for street lighting service.

The rights and privileges of the Town of Acton under the law remain the same with the Edison Electric Illuminating Company of Boston as they were with the American Woolen Company furnishing the electric current to the Town of Acton.

This committee has received very courteous attention and co-operation from those with whom we have come in contact in the employ of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company.

We recommend the appropriation of $\$ 5,050$, to defray electric street lighting for the year 1930 in the Town of Acton.

Respectfully submitted,
W. STUART ALLEN, Chairman, FRANK MERRIAM, FREDERICK BURKE, ARTHUR F. BLANCHARD, ARTHUR M. WHITCOMB, HORACE F. TUTTLE,

Electric Light Committee.
$\begin{aligned} & \text { REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS } \\ & \text { For the Year Ending December } 31,1929\end{aligned}$
We present the following sehedule showing the amounts of the several funds for the perpetual care
of cemetery lots and the income and expenditures on account of each fund for the year.
FRED W. GREEN,
WENDELL F. DAVIS,
HORACE F. TUTTLE,
Cemetery Commissioners.
WOODLAWN CEMETERY
On hand On hand




Deposit Jan. 1, 1928

Deposit

Name of Fund


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\text { Income Expended Dec. 31, } 1929
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|  | Reed，Joseph L． |
| 100. | Reed，Moses A． |
| 101. | Reed，Reuben L． |
| 102. | Robbins，Elbridge J． |
| 103. | Robbins，Hannah D． |
| 104. | Robbins，Mary A． |
| 105. | Robbins，Mary E． |
| 106. | Robbins，Ruth |
| 107. | Robbins，Warren |
| 108. | Rouillard，Frederick |
| 109. | Rouillard，Granville and Millicent |
| 110. | Rouillard，Margaret |
| 111. | Severance，Mary |
| 312. | Skinner，Mary |
| 213. | Smith，Henry M． |
| 114. | Smith，Solomon |
| 115. | Snelling，J．P |
| 116. | Symonds and Tuttle |
| 117. | Tarbell，Edwin |
| 118. | Taylor，Moses <br> （For lots 17，18，19， 20 and 21, north－ erly side of Prospect avenue； 2,3 and 4， southerly side of Prospect avenue．） |
| 119. | Taylor，Zoeth |
| 120. | Temple，James |
| 121. | Truette，Joseph |
| 122. | Tuttle，Daniel |
| j23． | Tuttle，Edward |
| 124. | Tuttle，Horace |
| 125. | Tuttle，Jam |


NORTH ACTON CEMETERY

| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | On hand Jan. 1, 1928 | Income | Expended | On hand Dec. 31, 1929 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Anderson, Henrietta | \$ 50.00 | \$ 54.79 | \$2.25 | \$2.00 | \$ 55.04 |
| 2. | Blood, Jerusha; Wiley and Temple, | 200.00 | 266.80 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 266.80 |
| 3. | Hapgood, Mary . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 50.00 | 55.52 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 55.77 |
| 4. | Hutchinson, Frances | 50.00 | 59.79 | 2.25 | 2.00 | $60.04$ |
| 5. | Temple, Samuel . . . . . . . . . . | 50.00 | 58.54 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 58.79 |
|  |  | \$400.00 | \$495.44 | \$18.00 | \$17.00 | \$496.44 |
| MT. HOPE CEMETERY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | On hand Jan. 1, 1928 | Income | Expended | On hand Dec. 31, 1929 |
| 1. | Adams, James L. | \$ 75.00 | \$ 79.03 | \$ 3.37 | \$ 3.50 | \$ 78.90 |
| 2. | Ames, W. C. . . . | 100.00 | 100.25 | 4.50 | 3.50 | 101.25 |
| 3. | Babcock, C. C. . | 100.00 | 103.50 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 104.00 |
| 4. | Bean, Alcander P. | 100.00 | 111.08 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 111.58 |
| 5. | Blanchard, John | $100.00$ | $118.33$ | 4.50 | 4.00 | $118.83$ |
| 6. | Brown, Albert | 100.00 | 107.50 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 108.00 |
| 7. | Brown, Harriet D., John Porter Priest, and Lucien J. Priest . . . . | 275.00 | 305.08 | 12.37 | 11.50 | 305.95 |
| 8. | Brown, Bessie E. . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 100.00 | $114.91$ | 4.50 | 3.50 | 115.91 |
| 9. | Burbeck, Lucy A. (Wetherbee) | $100.00$ | 117.73 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 117.73 |
| 10. | Burr, William ...................... | 100.00 | 105.25 | 4.50 | 4.50 | $105.25$ |
|  | Burroughs, Samuel R. .............. | 100.00 | 100.75 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 101.25 |
| $12 .$ | Bush, H. Louis (See Johnson, Emerline A.) |  |  |  |  |  |

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| 43. | Hart and Hoar lot |
| 44. | Hartwell，Simon |
| 45. | Hayward，Alvin A．，and Ellen M． |
| 46. | Hayward，Francis |
| 47 | Hayward，Frank C． |
| 48 | Hayward，S．Lizzie |
| 49. | Hayward，J．Warren |
| 50. | Hesselton，Lucius A． |
| 51 | Holden，Walter 0. |
| 52. | Hosmer，Caroline A． |
| 53. | Hosmer，Ella F．and Lucius S |
| 54. | Hosmer，Henry F． |
| 55. | Hosmer，Mary P． |
| 56. | Hosmer，Simon（See Warren，and <br> A．Louise） |
| 57 | Houghton，John R． |
| 58. | Hutchins，Sarah A． |
| 59. | Johnson，Emerline A．，F．E．Flint， and H．Louis Bush |
| 60. | Jones，Francis |
| 61. | Kelley，William S． |
| 62. | Keves，George F． |
| 63. | Keyes，Marcus M． |
| 64. | Knapp，Francis W． |
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| 67. | Littlefield，Nahum |
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| 68. | Littlefield，Waldo |
| 69. | Mason，William T． |
| 70. | McGreen，James |
| 71. | Mead，Adelbert |
| 72. | Mead，George V． |
| 73. | Mead，Hobart E． |
| 74. | Mead，Louis Guy |
| 75. | Mead，Lyman，and Frank Priest |
| 76. | Mead，Oliver |
| 77. | Mead，Varnum B． |
| 78. | Mills，James |
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| 82. | Parker，Edwin C |
| 83. | Patch，B．H．and O．K． |
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| 89. | Putman，Cyrus |
| 90. | Reed，Isaiah |
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| 92. | Richardson，E．F． |
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| 120. | Whitcomb, J. H. | 100.00 | 106.25 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 106.75 |
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|  | Whitcomb, N. Emery | 400.00 | 414.00 | 18.00 | 14.00 | 418.00 |
|  | Whitcomb and Preston | 100.00 | 102.67 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 103.17 |
|  | Whitney, Jerome B. | 100.00 | 109.70 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 110.20 |
|  | Willard, Henry | 100.00 | 107.13 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 107.63 |
|  | Woodward, Bixby | 50.00 | 50.92 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 51.17 |
|  | Wright, George C. | 100.00 | 133.40 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 132.90 |
|  | Wright, George C. (Davis Memorial) | 50.00 | 93.55 | 2.25 |  | 95.80 |
| 128. | Wright, George S. | 200.00 | 218.65 | 9.00 | 8.00 | 219.65 |
| 129. | Wright, Joel | 100.00 | 119.90 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 119.90 |
| 130. | Wright, Marshall E. | 75.00 | 76.86 | 3.37 | 3.00 | 77.23 |
| 131. | Brown, William and Clarence | 100.00 |  | 3.00 | 2.50 | 100.50 |
| 132. | Law, William and Mary | 100.00 |  | 3.37 | 2.50 | 100.87 |
| 133. | Scanlon, Thomas | 75.00 |  | 2.52 | 2.00 | 75.52 |
| 134. | Taylor, Thomas | 100.00 |  | 3.75 | 2.50 | 101.25 |
| 135 | Stevens, Levi | 100.00 |  | 3.75 | 2.00 | 101.75 |
|  |  | \$13,837.70 | \$14,530.15 | \$617.61 | \$570.25 | \$15,052.51 |
| Luke Blanchard Fund accepted by special vote of town, March 29, 1909 : |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | On hand Jan. 1, 1928 | Income | Expended | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Dec. } 31,1929 \end{gathered}$ |
|  | Luke Blanchard | \$500.00 | \$965.96 | \$22.50 | \$22.00 | \$966.46 |
|  | Simon Blanchard Tomb | 100.00 | 157.99 | 4.50 | 6.50 | 155.99 |
|  |  | 100.00 | 198.86 | 4.50 |  | 203.36 |
|  |  | \$700.00 | \$1,322.81 | \$31.50 | \$28.50 | \$1,325.81 |

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Wodehouse, P. G.-Fish prefered
Wren, P. C.-Father Gregory W945f
Wright, W.-The canary murder case W954c
Wright, W.-The Bishop murder case W954b
Young, F. B.-The young physician Y915y

## JUVENILE

Abbott, J.-Happy house

JA1322ha
Abbott, J.-Larkspur

JA1322la

Aldredge, E. M.-Wags and Woofie
JA3652w
Allee, M. H.-Susanna and Tristram - JA422s
Allen, G.-The trail of the comet JA4251t
Allen,N. B.-How and where we live JA4281h
Audress, J. M.-A journey to health land JA561j
Audress, J. M.-The sunshine school JA561s
Bacon, P.-The lion-hearted kitten
JB1291
Bailey, C. S.-When grandfather was a boy JB155w
Ball, W. S.-Carmelia commands
JB1871c
Barbour, R. H.-Grantham gets on
JB239g
Barbour, R. H.-Tod Hale on the nine JB239tp
Bartlett, A. C.-Game-legs JB2891g
Bartlett A. C.-The runaway dog team JB2891v
Bigham, M. A.-The bad little rabbit JB592b
Bigham, M. A.-Many animal tales JB592m
Blaisdell, A. F.-Boys and girls in American history JB634b
Blaisdell, E. A.-Boy blue and his friends JB6341b
Blaisdell, E. A.-The kelpies
JB6341k
Blaisdell, E. A.-Toytown JB6341t
Blaisdell, M. F.-Tommy Tinker's book JB635t
Blaisdell, M. F.-Twilight town JB635tw
Brill, E. C.-South from Hudson bay
Broughall, H. K.-Barbara Winthrop abroad
JB857s
JB8757o
Bullard, M.-The cow next door
JB935c
Burgess, T. W.-The Burgess seashore book for children JB955by
Burtis, T.-Russ Farrell over Mexico
JB973ve
Butler, E. P.-Dorna or the hillvale affair
JB986d.

Capuana, L.-Italian fairy tales
JC255i
Carpenter, J. H. and Hoben, A. M.-Fairy grammar
JC2951f
Carroll, G. H.-Cockatoo
Carter, R. G.-A patriot lad of old Boston
Carter, R. G.-A patriot lad of old Long Island
Carter, R. G.-A patriot lad of old Philadelphia
Carter, R. G.-A patriot lad of old Salem
Carter R. G.-A patriot lad of old Saratoga
(arter, R. G.-A patriot lad of old Trenton
Carter, R. G.-Three points of honor
JC3191c
JC3245pe
JC3245pe
JC3245pa
JC3245pb
JC3245pf
JC3245pd
JC3245t
Case, J. F.-Banners of Scoutcraft
Chandler, A. C.-A voyage to treasure land
JC337b
JC455v
Chandler, K.-In the reign of Coyote
Cheley, F. H.-Boy riders of the Rockies
Clark, B.-The climbing twins and other stories
Coatsworth, E. J.-The cat and the captain
Colcord, W. A.-Wings and Paws
Curtis, A. T.-A little maid of Bunker Hill
Curtis, A. T.-A little maid of old Connecticut
Curtis, A. T.-A yankee girl at Lookout Mountain
JC4551i
JC5161bo
JC592e
JC652c
JC687w
JC978lb
JC978le
JC978y
JC978le
JC978ld
JC978le
Curtis, A. T.-A yankee girl at the battle of the Wilderness

JC978ya
JD14b
Daniel, H.-Bare hands
JD272b
Dawson, J.-The boys and girls of Garden city
JD3241
DeSégur, M.-Sophie, the story of a bad little girl
JD451s
JD578t
JD621h
Dixon, F. W.-Hunting for hidden gold
JD621s
Dixon, F. W.-The shore mystery
Fastman, C. A.-Indian child life
JE13in
Eastman, C. A.-Smoky days wigwam evenings JE13s
Eastman, E. G.-The luck of old acres
JE131
Eaton, W. P.-Boy scouts on the Green Mountain trail
JE14bu
Eddy, S. J.-Friends and helpers
JE21f
Evans, H.-Derry airdale of the frontier
JE921d
Field, R.-Polly patchwork
JF455p
Fyleman, R. E-Round the mulberry bush
JF997r
Gag, W.-Millions of cats
JG132m
Giddings, T. P.-Juvenile music
JG453j
Ginther, P.-The jade necklace
JG492j
Green, F.-Fought for Annapolis
JG7952f
Green, F.-Hold 'em Navy
JG7952h
Green, F.-Midshipmen all
Green, F.-The mystery of the Erik
JG7952m
Green, F.-Z. R. wins
JG7952my
Gruelle, J.-Raggedy Ann's magical wishes
JG7952z
Hayes, C. W.-The boy Allies on the firing line
JG886r
Hayes, C. W.-The boy Allies with Haig in Flanders JH4172bo

Hayes, C. W.-The boy Allies with Marshal Foch
Hauck, L. P.-The gold trail
Heath, J. F.-Ann at Starr house
Hill, M.-Lessons for junior citizens
Hinkle, T. C.-Black storm
Hogan, I.-The little black and white lamb
Hoyt, V. J.-Silver boy
Humphrey, G.-Flags
Jay, M. F.-By rail and trail
Jekyll, G. B.-Two boys in South American Jungles
Jewett, F. G.-Tom and city
Kennedy, M.-Programs for special occasions for primary grades
Ketchum, I. A. and Rice, A. L.- The land of makebelieve
Ketchum, I. A.-The land of play
Lane, M. A. L.-Industries of to-day
Lane, M.' A. L.-Strange lands near home
Lansing, M. F.-Food and life
Lansing, M. F.-Quaint old stories
Large, L. A.-Little known stories of well known Americans
Lenski, L.-Alphabet people
Lindsay, M.-The choosing book
Lisle, C.-Hobnails and leather
Lofting, H.-Noisy Nora
Lynch, M. D.-Billy Gene and his friends
MacDonald, M.-Out of the storm
Mackall, L. and R.-Poodle-oodle of Doodle farm
Meyer, Z.-Under the maple tree
Minor, R.-Fun at Sunnyside farm
Montgomery, L. M.-Magic for Marigold
Morse, E.-The Siamese Cat
Nordhoff, C.-and Hall, J. N.-Falcons of France
Noyes, M. G.-Little plays for little people
Patterson, H. W.-Frenchman's island
Perdue, H. A.-How other children live
Phillips, E. C.-The Popover family
Pier, A. S.-The captain
Pitman, J. A.-A week with Andy
Rice, L. W.-The box in the sand
Robinson, M. L.-Sarah's Dakin
Schwartz, J. A.-Grasshopper Greens garden
Stetson, A. E.-Greetings and a message to the dear children
Thompson, J. G.-Fables and rhymes for beginners
Tucker, K.-The haunted ship
Wells, R.-Peppi the duck
West, J. E.-The lone scout of the sky
Boys life of Charles A. Lindburgh

JH4172b
JH368g
JH437an
JH64711
JH663b
JH7141
JH869s
JH926f
JJ42b
JJ43t
JJ584t
JK36p
JK43la
JK431
JL265i
JL265st
JL294f
JL294v
JL3221k
JL573a
JL749e
J9L771h
JL829n
JL987b
JM1357o
JM153p
JM613u
JM666f
JM787m
JM884s
JN832f
JN9561
JP317f
JP433h
JP558po
JP615e
JP685w
JR496b
JR663s
JS399g
JS841g
FT4731f
JT8921h
JW455p
J9W5181
White, S. E.-Daniel Boone, wilderness scout J9B724wWilder, J. A.-Jack knife cookeryJW673jWiltse, S. E.-Folk lore stories and proverbsJW756f
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Vital Records of Dartmouth, Massachusetts to 1850.Vital Records of Georgetown, Massachusetts to 1850.
Vital Records of Taunton, Massachusetts to 1850.Who's who in America, 1928-1929.
World Almanac for 1929.
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## School Report

## ANNUAL REPORT

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## School Department

OF THE

## TOWN OF ACTON

MASSACHUSETTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929



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## ORGANIZATION

## School Committee

Frank Toohey, chairman
Mrs. Lulu L. Clark
Mrs. Alberta Meade
Forest Bean
Mrs. Oliver Wood Arthur Whitcomb

Term expires 1930
Term expires 1932
Term expires 1930
Term expires 1932
Term expires 1931
Term expires 1930

## Superintendent

Charles W. Lawrance, So. Acton, Mass.
Telephone 45
Office H. S. Bldg.-Office Hours Wednesdays 3-5 P. M.
Attendance Officer

Miss Lillian Frost

Dr. E. A. Mayell

Miss Lillian Frost

School Physician
North Acton

Acton

## School Nurse

North Acton

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

First short term begins January 6, 1930.
First short term ends February 21, 1930.
Second short term begins March 3, 1930.
Second short term ends April 18, 1930.
Third short term begins April 28, 1930.
Third short term ends June 13, 1930, for Grades I. to VIII., inclusive.

Third short term ends June 20, 1930, for high school.

## 1930-31

Fall term begins September 3, 1930.
Thanksgiving-School closes Nov. 26, 1930 and reopens Dec. 1, 1930.

Fall term ends December 19, 1930.
First short term begins Dec. 29, 1930.

## Legal Holidays

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, July 4, first Monday of September, October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (the day following when any of the first five days mentioned, the 12 th of October, or Christmas occurs on Sunday).

Arbor Day falls on the last Saturday in April, and is not a legal holiday.

Flag Day falls on June 14, and is not a legal holiday. It should be observed by proper exercises by any school in session on that day.

## STANDING RULES

Rule 1. Children shall not be admitted to the public schools until they are six years of age, excepting that children who are six by the first of January following opening of school in September, may be admitted with the approval of the superintendent of schools.

Rule 2. Pupils shall be promoted from grade to grade and school to school according to merit. Thorough and satisfactory work will be required of pupils in a lower grade or school before entering a higher grade or school.

Rule 3. Children who have not previously attended any school shall be admitted to the public schools only at the beginning of the fall term, unless qualified in the opinion of the teacher and superintendent of schools to do the work.

Rule 4. Pupils shall be held responsible for books loaned to them until returned to the teacher.

Rule 5. No repairs shall be made upon the public property in the care of the School Committee except by their authorized agents.

Rule 6. There shall be no signal for "no school" on stormy or inclement days, but parents shall determine in their individual cases whether it is expedient to send their children to school or not.

Rule 7. Schools in the different grade school buildings shall be five and one-quarter hours long, and in the high school building shall be six hours long. In the high school building the six hours shall include one 10 -minute recess, one thirty-minute recess for lunch and a compulsory tutoring period of thirty minutes for all students not receiving passing grades in any subject. Students in the high school building, whose grades are above passing in all subjects may be excused from this compulsory thtoring period. Primary rooms in the grade school buildings shall have an outdoor recess each afternoon; other rooms shall have a recess of sufficient length to allow pupils to go to basements. Deviation from these hours shall be made only with the consent of the superintendent, and shall be reported by him to the school committee at its next monthly meeting.

Rule 8. Doors shall not be opened before principals arrive. Pupils may be allowed to come to their rooms with the permission of their room teachers, and pupils coming in barges may enter the basements, if weather conditions make it advisable.

Rule 9. The fire drill shall be given at least once in two weeks.

## TEACHERS IN SERVICE, DECEMBER 31, 1929

Teachers
App.Where Educated Home Address
Center School:
(Grades I-VI Incl.)
Marion Towne
Edith Taylor
Caroline Chase
1921 Smith Col.
1927 Wheelock
Concord
1928 Bridgewater N. Littleton

Soúth School:
(Grades I-VI Incl.)

Julia McCarthy
Florence Merriam
Jessie Kinnevan
West School:
(Grades I-VI Incl.)
Harriet Suchovsky
Elise Dickerman
Madeline Allard
High School Building :
Ella Miller
Helen Murray
Gyneth Prew
Elsie Bixby
Marion Fuller
Thelma Eaton
Edith Ames
Margaret Boornazian
Walter Holt
John Hough

1906 Fitchburg N.
1927 Framingham N.
1929 Worcester N.
S. Acton
S. Acton Worcester

| 1929 | Framingham N. | Clinton |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 1926 | Fitchburg N. | Ayer |
| 1928 | Lowell N. | Lowell |

1899 Framingham N.
Acton
1928 Tufts Col.
1929 N. H. Univ.
N. Attleboro

Foxboro
1927 Framingham N.
Boston Univ.
1928 Wheaton Col.
1928 Boston Univ.
1928 Simmons
1929 Boston Univ.
1928 Dartmouth
1927 Colgate
Woodville
Walpole
Waltham
Littleton
Methuen
Ashburnham
Ayer

## Supervisors:

Music : Mr. Elmer Pierce, Gardner, Mass.
Drawing : Miss Elizabeth Farmer, Worcester, Mass.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## To the Voters of Acton:

The School Committee herewith presents its annual report for the fiscal year 1929 and an estimate of its requirements for the year 1930. The reports of the superintendent and supervisors are approved and are attached hereto.

The transportation problem has been satisfactorily settled.
The money appropriated for developing the grounds about the High School Building has been expended with the result that approximately $80 \%$ of the ground suitable for athletics is available. To finish the playground, it will be necessary to remove a relatively large ledge, and it is believed that a sum of $\$ 3500$ will finish this very necessary work.

We are confronted with ever increasing costs for repairs, both to the High School Building and to the grade school buildings at South, Center and West. These repairs are necessary if we are to keep the buildings in proper condition for school work. Because of the necessity for such repairs we have asked the town for $\$ 2100.00$ for the ensuing year.

The following table shows the cost of operating the schools for the years 1926-1929 inclusive and the source and amount of monies received other than from taxation. The amount received from the Massachusetts School Fund is less this year than for the past three years and may be expected to decrease as the valuation of the town increases, unless there is a change made in the laws.

The work of the teaching staff is very satisfactory. Our main problem is to devise means to retain teachers over a period of years.

> Respectfully submitted,

FRANK TOOHEY,
Chairman.

## COMPARISON OF COST FOR OPERATING ACTON SCHOOLS

| Mass. School Fund | 1929 | 1928 | 1927 | 1926 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Part I | \$3,560.00 | \$3,740.00 | \$4,360.00 | \$3,801.50 |
| Part II | none | 2,978.41 | 1,227.92 | none |
| State Wards andmiscellaneous .... | 131.25 | 276.43 | 439.62 | 528.89 |
| Total from State | \$3,691.25 | \$6,994.84 | \$6,027.54 | \$4,330.39 |
| Out of Town Tuitions* | 2,775.28 | 2,010.56 | 1,927.40 | 128.0 |
| Grand Total | \$6,466.53 | \$9,005.40 | \$7,954.94 | \$4,458.39 |
| Expended from Appropriation | \$44,845.92 | \$43,984.70 | \$43,987.67 | \$41,485. |
| Net Cost to Town (raised by taxation) | \$38,379.39 | \$34,979.30 | \$36,032.73 | \$37,027.25 |
| Appropriations | \$45,000.00 | \$44,000.00 | \$44,000.00 | 44,000.00 |

*Boxboro, Harvard, Carlisle.

## ESTIMATES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1930

## FOR GENERAL EXPENSES

Salaries and other expenses of the Superin
tendent and Truant Officers

\$2,320.00

Clerk for Superintendent 780.00

Salaries for Teachers . ...................... . 27,000.00
Text Books
800.00

Supplies ...................................... . . 800.00
Janitors wages, fuel and misc. operating expenses

6,500.00
Repairs
2,100.00
Transportation .............................. $3,450.00$
Health, Aux. Agencies
250.00

Unclassified
1,000.00

## SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929

## GENERAL CONTROL

Salaries and other expenses of superintendent and truant officers, clerk..... \$3,103.95

Total control
$\$ 3,103.95$

## EXPENSES OF INSTRUTION

Salaries, Supervisors, Teachers:
High School and elementary
\$27,046.86
Text books, high school ................... . . . 506.22
Text books, elementary ................... 479.05
Stationery and supplies, high school...... 405.14
Stationery and supplies, elementary...... 361.94
Total instruction
\$28,799.21
EXPENSES OF OPERATION
Wages of janitor, high school building.... $\$ 1,300.00$
Fuel, high school . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 858.12
Miscellaneous ................................. $1,045.02$
Total High School Building
\$3,203.14

|  | Center | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Janitor | \$640.00 | \$760.00 | \$720.00 |
| Fuel | 453.29 | 414.05 | 258.57 |
| Misc. Op. | 78.01 | 117.63 | 128.53 |
| Blg. Total |  | 91.68 | 107.10 |

Total Elementary Operating. ........ . $\$ 3,570.08$
Total operating high school and elementary
\$6,773.22
Maintenance and Repairs:
High School
\$971.33
Elem. $\begin{array}{lll}\text { Center } & \text { South } & \text { West } \\ \$ 236.51 & \$ 912.17 & \$ 392.93\end{array}$

Total Elementary Repairs
\$1,541.61
Total Repairs

## AUXILIARY

| Health |  | \$206.57 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Transportation |  | 3,450.00 |
| Total expended |  | \$44,845.89 |
| Unexpended balance |  | \$154.11 |
| Appropriation, March, 1929 | \$45,000.00 |  |
| Totals |  | \$45,000.00 |
| Special appropriation H. S. Grounds. | 2,000.00 |  |
| Greenough Construction Co. |  | 2,000.00 |
|  | \$2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| Grand Total |  | \$47.000.00 |

## PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1929

## GENERAL CONTROL

Superintendent, salary ..... \$2,000.00
Superintendent, clerk hire ..... 765.00
Superintendent, travel expenses ..... 116.62
Total ..... $\$ 2,881.62$
Office Expenses and Enforcement of Law
New England Tel. \& Tel. Co., Telephones ..... \$63.28
Finney \& Hoit, office supplies ..... 2.00
W. B. Currier, stamps, envelopes ..... 35.87
A. N. Hederstedt Co., envelopes ..... 1.50
Murphy \& Snyder, records, paper. ..... 9.00
Yawman \& Erbe Co., steel shelves, office equipment ..... 77.00
Alice Spinney, office work ..... 3.68
Daniel MacDougall, census ..... 30.00Total General Control$\$ 3.103 .95$
EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION
Supervisor's salary, music ..... $\$ 400.00$
Supervisor's salary. drawing ..... 280.00
Principal high, salary \$1,500.00 ..... $\$ 1,500.00$
Teachers' salary, high school
John Hough 2,040.00
Walter Holt ..... 1,640.00
Elsie Bixby ..... 1,670.00
Edith Damon, 6 months ..... 780.00
Margaret Boornazian, 4 months ..... 520.00
Marion Fuller ..... 1,340.00
Thelma Eaton ..... 1,240.00
Total high school teachers ..... \$9,230.00
Teachers' salary, elementary
Ella Miller ..... \$1,370.00
Florice Fernald, 6 months ..... 720.00
Gyneth Prew, 4 months ..... 440.00
Helen Murray ..... 1,140.00
Edith Ames ..... 1,190.00
Marion Towne ..... 1,240.00
Edith Taylor ..... 1,140.00
Julia McCarthy ..... 1,400.00
Florence Merriam ..... 1,200.00
Dorothy Glazier, 6 months ..... 675.00
Jessie Kinnevan, 4 months ..... 400.00
Marjorie Stearns ..... 750.00
Madeline Allard ..... 920.00
Harriet Chace ..... 540.00
Harriet Suchovsky ..... 480.00
Elise Dickerman ..... 1,040.00
Caroline Chase ..... 920.00
Mrs. Henry Capell, substituting ..... 55.00
Mrs. O. H. Howe, substituting ..... 15.00
Marjorie Stearns, travel expenses ..... 1.86
Total elementary\$15,636.86Total expense of instruction\$27,046.86
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION TEXT BOOKS (HIGH)
Charles Scribner Sons ..... \$9.04
D. C. Heath Co. ..... 5.29
Allyn and Bacon ..... 19.26
Theodore Presser Co., music ..... 5.00
F. T. Welch, bookbinding ..... 39.80
Longman's Green \& Co., bookkeeping books ..... 10.82
The Macmillan Co., history, civies, physies, etc. ..... 230.32
Silver, Burdett Co. ..... 9.67
McKnight \& McKnight ..... 7.32
Southwestern Pub. Co., bookkeeping books ..... 75.60
Scott, Foresman \& Co., Latin and English texts ..... 56.79
Webb Pub. Co., domestic science texts ..... 2.68
Boston Music Co., music books ..... 3.93
Ginn and Company, mathematic books. ..... 27.78
Regent Publishing Co. ..... 1.30
Oxford Book Co. ..... 1.62
Total text books, high$\$ 506.22$
TEXT BOOKS-ELEMENTARY
Webb Book Publishing Co. ..... $\$ 25.86$
Ginn and Company, English books ..... 97.35
Beckley-Cardy Co. ..... 10.04
Silver, Burdett Company ..... 47.48
Charles E. Merrill Company ..... 23.97
The Macmillan Company ..... 98.11
J. B. Taylor Company ..... 15.69
D. C. Heath Company ..... 9.85
Allyn and Bacon ..... 11.56
Longman's Green \& Co. ..... 7.71
Edward E. Babb Company ..... 12.69
American Book Company ..... 12.91
Scott, Foresman Company ..... 28.63
Iroquois Publishing Co. ..... 69.90
World Book Company ..... 1.19
Benj. H. Sanborn Co. ..... 6.11Total Text Books$\$ 985.27$
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-HIGH
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... $\$ 1.50$
Webster Publishing Company, blank forms ..... $5.5: 3$
J. L. Hammett Company, supplies ..... 166.74
Southwestern Publishing Company ..... 8.72
Pierce's Express ..... 75
Gregg Publishing Company, supplies ..... 9.57
Edward E. Babb Company, supplies ..... 77.75
A. J. Wilkinson \& Company ..... 5.20
Thomas F. Parker, paint and turpentine ..... 8.75
L. E. Knott Apparatus Company, supplies ..... 8.40
Bon Marche ..... 2.33
W. B. Case ..... 2.00
Government Printing Office, commerce bul- letins ..... 4.00
Vannah Lithograph Company ..... 2.20
Webster Publishing Comnany, supplies ..... 34.66
Ginn and Company, bookkeeping blanks ..... 5.83
Milton Bradley Company, supplies, paper, etc. ..... 53.18
Boston Music Company, sheet music ..... 1.72
Carl Fischer, Inc. ..... 3.06
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 3.25
Total high school \$405.14
STATIONERY SUPPLIES AND MISCELLANEOUS-ELEM.
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... \$2.00
Laidlaw Brothers, music ..... 2.29
John Evans, supplies ..... 3.31
Edward E. Babb, number builders, etc. ..... 126.41
Scott, Foresman Company, survey tests, etc. ..... 29.00
Ginn and Company, music appreciation rec- ords ..... 1.88
Milton Bradley Co., drawing paper, supplies ..... 125.23
J. L. Hammett Company, supplies ..... 35.91
Campbell \& Leunig, Inc., writing equipment ..... 35.91
Total elementary\$361.94Total Expense of Instruction\$28,799.21
Operation Expenses (High School) Building
JANITORS, FUEL AND MISCELLANEOUS
Wages of janitor, high school ..... \$1,300.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 858.12
Total\$2,158.12
MISCELLANEOUS OPERATING EXPENSES (HIGH)
American Woolen Co., light ..... \$77.08
American Woolen Co., power ..... 67.90
Edison Electric III. Co., light. ..... 67.43
Edison Electric Ill. Co., power. ..... 24.58
Masury-Young Company, paper towels, floor oil, and soap ..... 95.12
Fuelite Natural Gas Co ..... 142.00
J. A. MacPherson, hardware ..... 22.59
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber. ..... 27.02
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., laboratory sup- plies ..... 22.94
Maydale Spring Water Co., distilled water. ..... 1.50
F. T. Welch, binding ..... 46.80
Robert Prentiss, battery ..... 13.10
J. F. Chaffin Company, tuning piano ..... 5.00
Hall Brothers Company, surveyors stakes ..... 1.20
L. M. Glover Company, disinfectant ..... 2.16
J. L. Hammett Co., flags and display hooks ..... 16.67
A. W. Davis Company, supplies ..... 136.30
Acton Drug Company, charger bulbs. ..... 8.00
Roy Jones, labor ..... 2.50
James Baker, labor ..... 2.50
Yawman \& Erbe Mfg. Co., general office equipment ..... 117.60
V. M. Baxter, roll white paper ..... 3.25
Murphy \& Snyder .....  30
Vannah Lithograph Co., diplomas ..... 35.10
William B. Holt, plumbers friend ..... 1.00
J. S. Moore, floor wax ..... 5.50
Dept. of Correction, floor brushes ..... 11.90
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 1.11
Thomas F. Parker, hardware ..... 14.57
Albert E. Sims, grate bar in steam boiler ..... 28.28
Strong \& Tracy, supplies .....  57
Commissioner of Public Safety, boiler in- spection ..... 5.00
West and South Water District ..... 32.00
John Hoar, repairs ..... 6.45
Total Operating High School ..... \$1,045.02
OPERATING EXPENSES-ELEMENTARY
Janitors, Fuel
Center (1) South (2) West (3)
Janitors ..... \$640.00 \$760.00 \$720.00Fuel, coal .... $387.03 \quad 349.31 \quad 195.81$Wood ....... $\frac{66.26}{\$ 1,093.29} \frac{64.74}{\$ 1,174.05} \frac{62.76}{\$ 978.57}$
Total Janitors and Fuel\$3,245.91
MISCELLANEOUS OPERATING EXPENSES (ELEMENTARY)
Center South West
American Woolen Co., light. \$17.38 \$25.29 ..... $\$ 26.00$
Masury - Young Co., paper towels, floor oils, soaps. . $24.12 \quad 24.14$ ..... 24.12
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 3.55
West \& South Water District ..... 17.57 ..... 12.06 ..... 12.00
Robert Prentiss, switch .....  50
J. L. Hammett, flags ..... $1.16 \quad 1.18$ ..... 1.16
Daniel MacDougall, helpingat West School5.00
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. 1.75 ..... 5.40
M. E. Taylor, supplies ..... 3.17
Levi Perkins, truck and man. ..... $1.00 \quad 1.00$ ..... 1.00
F. W. Green, cleaning vaults.6.00
Finney \& Hoit, supplies ..... 50
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 1.12 ..... 1.12
Theron F. Newton, work at South School in summer ..... 35.60
A. W. Davis, supplies ..... 23.99
Laurel Book Co., insurance onbooks20
J. A. MacPherson, supplies ..... $6.27 \quad 9.03$ ..... 5.82
Thomas F. Parker, supplies ..... 1.60
John S. Hoar ..... 12.47
Dept. of Correction. ..... $3.97 \quad 3.96$ ..... 3.97
\$78.01 \$117.63 \$128.53
Total Miscellaneous Operating Elem.\$324.17
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS-HIGH SCHOOL
Albert E. Sims, pressure reducer, repairs ..... \$227.97
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 89.16
L. C. Smith \& Corona Typewriting Co., re- pairs ..... 2.98
E. P. Gates, door iron and bolts ..... 2.00
L. T. Fullonton, painting per contract, set- ting glass ..... 213.00
Roy Jones, labor ..... 55.30
Masury-Young Co., repairs on floor oiler ..... 1.91
O. F. Nelson, misc. iron repairs ..... 68.10
Tate \& Company, iron for fire escape ..... 15.00
J. L. Hammett Company, racks ..... 20.28
J. S. Moore, paint brush ..... 1.25
John Hoar, office repairs, misc. repairs and alterations ..... 231.96
Charles Smith, repairs ..... 17.15
Robert Prentiss, lights and switches. ..... 14.15
Byron Lumber Co., lumber ..... 11.12
Total high maintenance and repairs\$971.33
MAINTENANCE-ELEMENTARY
Center South West
E. Z. Stanley, general repairs ..... \$36.26 \$23.75 ..... \$10.94
Albert E. Sims ..... 65.90 ..... 68.67
John Evans ..... 1.93
L. T. Fullonton, painting and setting glass ..... $70.00 \quad 120.85$ ..... 76.85
Roy Jones, labor ..... $15.21 \quad 15.23$ ..... 15.21
Tropical Paint Co., paint,South School14.85

| J. L. Hammett Co. | 6.76 | 6.76 | 6.76 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Byron Lumber Co., lumber. . | 5.70 |  |  |
| South Acton Coal \& Lumber Company, lumber ...... |  | 4.00 |  |
| John S. Hoar, repairs | 11.20 | 422.00 | 34.57 |
| Charles Smith, repairs | 1.50 |  |  |
| Robert Prentiss, wire repair. | 78.17 |  |  |
| O. F. Nelson, fire escape. . . . |  | 238.83 |  |
| Ed. Jewett, cement work. |  |  | 34.00 |
| Nelson Tenney, radiators and repairs |  |  | 144.00 |
| Thomas Parker | 10.21 |  |  |
| Hall Brothers | 1.50 |  |  |
|  | 36.51 | 912.17 | 392.93 |

Total Maintenance and Repairs, Elem.
$\$ 1,541.61$

## HEALTH

High School:
Ernest Mayell . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 50.00$
Elementary :
Ernest Mayell . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 150.00
Masury-Young, slate cement . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.37
Ed. Jewett, labor West Acton toilet....... 5.20
Total Health
$\$ 206.57$
TRANSPORTATION, Jan. 1, 1929 to Dec. 31, 1929
A. W. Davis . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$3,450.00

Total Transportation . ................. . . $\$ 3,450.00$
Total for Support................ $\$ 44,845.89$

## OUTLAYS

Labor on high school grounds :
Greenough Construction Co. .............. . $\$ 2,000.00$
Total outlays ........................ . $\$ 2,000.00$
Total Expended Fiscal Year ........ $\$ 46,845.89$

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

## To the School Committee and Voters of Acton:

I present herewith my fourth annual report.
The Schools of Acton have kept to a high standard of achievement throughout the year, with a constant endeavor to improve the instruction in each subject, and to do as much as possible for each individual, where it is noted that special training and extra work are needed. The teachers have been most loyal in their endeavors to give the best instruction they are capable of giving. They are constantly trying to improve their work by study, by group discussions, and by frequent conferences with the Superintendent.

## SCHOOL HEALTH

It is a pleasure to report that in the health situation, the school children have been unusually free from contagious diseases. This is due in large measure to the hygiene practiced in the schools and to the careful supervision of the School Doctor and Nurse, and the cooperation of the practicing physicians. The resulting high percentage of attendance has made the work of the teachers measurably easier.

## THE CURRICULUM OF OUR SCHOOLS

The curriculum is being, and must constantly be, revised, in all grades, in Acton Schools as well as in all other schools. The constant aim is not only to train in fundamental processes and skills, but also to develop each student, as rapidly as can be done profitably, by utilizing everything that can contribute to his growth and welfare, both mental and physical.

In the Primary grades the teaching methods and materials of the fundamental tool-subjects of reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling, are being steadily improved, although we still are far from the goal we have set for ourselves. In the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades, the training in tool-subjects is continued with the addition of much subject material for information. Training in reading and thinking is emphasized as foundation for study and work in later grades. Students who do not continue much beyond these grades get much useful information. In grades drills in arithmetic and reading are continued, and much formal seven and eight, the subject material is broadened, while review grammar and training in oral and written composition are intro-
duced. Here the children are approaching the years of adolescence; consequently they are closely studied by the teachers. The methods and educational materials are somewhat different from those used in their earlier years of training. They are chosen with the aim of studying and developing abilities to achieve success in High School work, as well as to further the education of those who must leave school in these years.

The High School Curriculum retains the College Preparatory Course without change. It has been altered to reduce the amount of strictly commercial work from three years to two, or two and one-half years. General information and cultural subjects have been added in the place of certain commercial subjects. This enables a student to make a wider selection of subjects in a general course. The subjects permitted per student have been changed from five to four subjects per day as a normal load, with more study material per subject.

The College Preparatory Course is almost entirely set for us by the very high entrance requirements of our New England Colleges. Here again may we point out that the good student in Acton High School can go directly to college at the end of our College Preparatory Course, without going to a Preparatory School to complete his preparation. However students and parents must realize that the colleges are demanding high scholarship in their candidates and certain restrictions are enforced. A mark " A" or "B" in any High School is practically pre-requisite for entrance to any college, either by certificate or by examination. The latter is the more commonly accepted method of satisfying entrance requirements. Parents who hope even remotely that their children will go to college, should consult the High School principal and teachers, for the preparation is intricate and very specialized, involving courses that extend over four years.

For the non-college going student the High School offers the Commercial Course and the newer General Course, both on a grade comparable with the college preparatory course. These courses aim to give the student broadening subjects that are likely to be of more interest and value than the strictly college preparatory courses for a large percentage of High School students. The Commercial Course has been considerably shortened, and biology and more history, geography, and science courses have been added.

## COLLEGE AID

Every student who can do High School college preparatory work is urged to do so. Many parents of bright students are afraid to let their children attempt the College Preparatory Course as they feel that the student will probably be unable to go to college, for lack of sufficient funds. Any student who has the mental ability to enter college and the plysical stamina to carry a normal college course with good scholarship can always get financial aid to put himself or herself through the four years of study. The benefits that are derived from college study in-
telligently and energetically pursued far out-weigh the cost to the student in labor and financial obligation. The last four classes to graduate from Acton High School have given funds in varying amounts to be used for graduates who may need or desire assistance. This scholarship fund now amounts to \$198.44.

## ATHLETICS

Through the generosity of the voters and tax payers, the two thousand dollars voted for the High School Athletic Field was granted by the selectmen to the School Committee and has been expended judiciously by them through the splendid cooperation of their sub-committee and Mr. Greenough, the Acton contractor. The ledge in the center of the field has been one of the main obstacles in developing this field. The committee considered that the greatest need was to give immediately as much playing ground as possible with the money available. To remove the ledge at that time, last spring, would have required more than half of the total appropriation. This amount was higher than the original estimates for its removal. It was therefore deemed wiser to spend the money so as to make as much of the field immediately available for playing purposes as possible, to cover some of the ledge and to fill and grade the lot as much as possible. Through the energy of Mr. Greenough, considerably more work has been accomplished than at first was believed possible and now the front two-thirds of the field towards the highway and about one-third of the remaining land lying in the back part of the lot is graded and in use. During the operation most of the huge stones that formerly lined the field were buried in the fill. A bit of the ledge was also removed, but the greater part still remains, blocking off some of the most valuable part of our field from use in fontball or baseball.

## ATHLETIC TEAMS IN ACTON HIGH

Herewith are extracts from a report of a committee of teachers, in which I concur :
"Last year the baseball team started out rather hopefully by winning the first two games, but after that it struck a snag and didn't progress so well. Practice was carried on as usual on Blanchard Field, which is a long way from the School building, a thing which makes it difficult for some boys to practice.
"This year we hope that the School grounds will be available for this sport. This development will make it much easier for the teacher in charge, and will tend to make better and more uniform practice periods, as well as develop morale and school spirit for the School and health to as many individuals as possible.
"This winter the boys and girls are starting basket-ball teams. Two or three games have already been scheduled. Probably the boys will enter the village tournament at Fitchburg again this year in March. There is no hall available in any of the

Actons, so one was found in Maynard and practice is usually held there twice a week, the teams getting back and forth as best they can.
"These basketball practices have accommodated about thirty boys and girls in the High School, and are valuable for the boys who will play baseball next spring, as well as keeping up some of our health program during the winter.
"Interscholastic contests help to give girls and boys pride in their own schools. They take them to meet other boys and girls as pupils of other schools in nearby towns, and are an important phase of school life. The need for a gymnasium has always been apparent and grows more acute. Some of us think that the auditorium could be arranged by means of nets so that basketball and volley ball could be played there without any injury to the furnishings or finishing. If such a thing were done a marked change would occur in the discipline and spirit of the school."

## COMMERCIAL WORK ON HIGH STANDARD

The work of some of our commercial students has been very good for the past few years. Some of our present students are doing especially well.

The following list of Typewriting awards is the largest we have ever had. A student must write 30 words per minute for 15 minutes to qualify to take an award test. These tests are standard commercial material furnished free by the typewriter companies. This is a valuable check on our work and an incentive to the students to strive for higher achievements.

The work of Miss Brill, Miss Hagen, Miss Costello, Miss Jones, Miss Schnair and Miss Batchelder is especially good.

LIST OF STUDENTS RECEIVING TYPEWRITING AWARDS DURING 1929
January to June-Second Year Students
Awards After 1 !r. 5 mo's. Training

Helen Taylor
Glenna Jones Gertrude Schnair
Ella Pederson
Gertrude Schnair
Ella Pederson
Francis Byron
Mildred Fullonton


Helen Grala
Helen Taylor
Francis Byron
Ruby Baker
Gertrude Schnair
Helen Grala

Remington
L. C. Smith

Remington "
L. C. Smith "
L. C. Smith "

Remington "
Remington "
Remington "
Tnderwood "
Roval "،
L. C. Smith "
L. C. Smith "
L. C. Smith "
L. C. Smith "
L. C. Smith "

Royal "،
Remington "


## GRADUATION CLASS OF 1929

The graduation of the Class of 1929 was memorable for its good music, excellent speaker, and the fact that this was the first class to receive its entire education in the Acton schools.

## Acton High School Commencement Program-June 20, 1929 Blanchard Hall

March of the Seniors
Prayer,
Rev. Mr. Long
Salutatorian,
Roy Jones
Historian,
Spencer Taylor, Jr.
School Day Lessons in Song:Brahms
Toyland ..... Herbert
Sailing Marks
Hunting Song English Folk Song
Loch Lomond Scotch Folk Song
The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls "Grammachree"Silcher
Santa Lucia Italian Folk SongThe Grand Old FlagWilmarth
Commencement Speaker,Mr. Robert Lincoln $0^{\prime}$ Brien.
A Group of Favorite Songs:
Whèn the Foeman Bares His Steel Sullivan
Carmelina Stevens
Canoeing ..... Coerne
Class Song Words by W. MacKenzie
Marching Song Class of 1929 A. H. S.
Valedictory,
Craig Sadler
Presentation of Diplomas,By Mr. Frank Toohey,Chairman School Committee.
America The Beautiful
Katherine Lee Bates
Finale March
Reception to SeniorsMusic : Direction of Mr. Elmer Pierce.Speaking: Direction of Mr. John Hough.
Senior Advisor: Miss Marion Fuller.
Piano: Mona Servais A. H. S. 1931.

# What Our Graduates Are Doing: Class of 1929 

James Wesley Baker
Ethel May Cobleigh
Warren Bruce Cole
Cyrus Joseph Downey
*James Alfred Farrar
Lillian Gertrude Feltus
Fred Stuart Gorton
Sophie Antonia Grala
*Eleanor Frances Jones
Howard Fullonton Jones
*Roy Glendon Jones
William Cypras Kazokas
Mary Agnes Lawrence
Winifred Elizabeth MacKenzie
Gertrude Edna Massie
George Raymond McGovern
Margaret Anna McGovern
Eleanor Gertrude Morse
Mary Elizabeth Parker
**Mildred Rose Polep
Mary Louise Richardson
$\dagger$ Craig Sadler
*Alice Louise Spinney
Barbara Swift
Spencer Copland Taylor
Helena Mae Tucker

Acton High School
Burdett College
Clerk, Lowden's Store
At Home
Salesman \& Clerk, Wholesale Merchant Corp.
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. W. Acton

Northeastern University
Housekeeper
A. H. S. Post Graduate

Northeastern University
Tufts College
Working On Farm
A. H. S. Post Graduate

Clerk B. \& M. Gen'l Office
N. Bemett Industrial School

Linotyping
Burdett College
At Home
N. E. Baptist Hospital
A. H. S. Post Graduate
A. H. S. Post Graduate

Treasurer's Dept. State House, Boston
Harvard College
Stenographer, Waltham Watch Co.
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. WV. Acton

Harvard College
Waltham Hospital Training School
$\dagger$ High Honor at graduation.

* Honors at graduation.
** Honors 3 years.


## THE PRE-SCHOOL ROUND-UP CONFERENCES

In the Spring, through the School Nurse, work was started to get the incoming primary grade children ready to enter in September, promptly at the opening of school. A list of pupils who were to enter school for the first time in September, 1929, was prepared. Through letters and personal conferences with the parents of these children, a number of physical defects were corrected during the summer, such as diseased tonsils and adenoids removed, postures improved, and the necessary vaccination and birth certificates were presented. The schools opened promptly on September 4, with the least loss of time in the last five years.

## DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Attention is called to the fact that the food prepared in the Domestic Science Cooking Classes is sold to the students in the form of hot lunches at noon-time. This provides hot lunches for as many students as wish, while the proceeds buy the supplies for the cooking and sewing rooms, thus accomplishing a double purpose. Miss Edith Ames is especially to be commended for the capable way in which she has handled this department and for making it self-supporting. Her report follows:

In the Sewing Course of the seventh grade much work has been done. The class is smaller than last year, numbering fourteen, which means that more individual attention may be given. The first garment made is an apron, all by hand. Seven undergarments have been completed. Darning, mending, the making of buttonholes, and instruction in the proper use of the Sewing Machines are included in this course.

The Sewing Course in the eighth grade begins with a review of last year's work. This year the individual pupils were asked to make a list of six garments they wished to make. From this list four garments were chosen, and listed in order for progressive work. In this way pupils make garments which are needed. This has meant more individual work, but the results have improved over last year. Practical darning, and special sewing machine attachments are taught in this course.

The Cooking lessons in the seventh grade are similar to last year's. The first period is given to discussion, and the second period to the actual preparation. The pupils are allowed to work by themselves as much as possible, as it gives them more responsibility.

In the Cooking Course of the eighth grade, using "Foods, Preparation and Serving," a wide field has been covered. Balancing and Variety of Meals are two of the main objects, but at the same time keeping the costs as low as possible.

All the supplies of the Cooking Classes and the thread, needles and pins for the Sewing Classes are paid for out of the Cafeteria account.

The Cafeteria has the following report to make:-

| Cash Jan. 1, 1929 | $\begin{array}{ll}  & \mathrm{Dr} . \\ . & \\ 16.17 \end{array}$ | Cr. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Sales for Fiscal Year | 1,632.60 |  |
| Costs of Supplies, Cooking and Sewing |  | \$1,605.79 |
| Athletic Ass'n |  | 20.00 |
| Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1929 |  | 22.98 |
|  | \$1,648.77 | \$1,648.77 |

Respectfully submitted, EDITH M. AMES.

## SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. C. W. Lawrence, Superintendent of Schools, Acton Public Schools,
Dear Sir:
"In general, there seems to be a steady improvement in the condition of music in the schools. In the grades the attempt has been made to improve the standard of reading music, not for the sake of reading alone but for its bearing on the whole music situation.

Most educators agree to-day that it is necessary to have a good standard of music reading in order to insure efficiency and success, to say nothing of its effect in the attitude of the pupils. I often think of the splendid achievements of pupils in the reading of English. No thoughtful person will deny that there is better power to-day than there was twenty-five years ago in this respect. How is this brought about? Mainly by "doing'" reading. It is safe to say that the average sixth grade pupil has been through at least twenty books.

An examination of the leading music text books of the day reveals more general agreement in the matter of grading of material. It is apparent that there is no reasonable excuse for poor reading ability in music.

As in English it is necessary to do some individual work, so it is necessary to do some individual work in music.

There is much interest in the listening lessons in music and a good deal is being accomplished.

There is a more general interest and better power than before in grades VII and VIII. The classes are doing very well for the time we have for practice.

Considering the number of those who can read music. I think we may feel pleased with the work of the high school chorus. The girls' glee club is doing very well.

Yours very truly, ELMER E. PIERCE.

## SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

Mr. C. W. Lawrance,
Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Massachusetts.
Dear Sir:
We do not try to make an artist of every child-we can only try to help him to realize that some of the finer things of life are right at hand if he will but look for them.

In the short period that I have been supervising the art
work, I have found a very pleasant and helpful group of teachers. Their co-operation, so necessary in this work, has been, and is, very gratifying. A visiting teacher who comes but once a week or every two weeks must necessarily leave much in the hands of the regular teacher, and each and every teacher has been very helpful in fulfilling their part of the task.

Respectfully submitted, ELIZABETH A. FARMER.

## DENTAL WORK

The School Doctor and Nurse have repeatedly pointed out in their examinations the need for dental work, and for corrections of defective vision and hearing. For a large proportion of our children, neglect of defective teeth, especially, causes such an amount of poor health, loss of time from school, loss of promotion, etc., as to deserve special attention. Parents have been repeatedly notified of these dental defects. They are again requested to have these defects remedied, when the notices are sent. It is to their own advantage, as well as to that of the school and town, that dental defects be eliminated and that the health of the students, and their attendance at school be kept as high as possible.

The reports of the School Doctor and School Nurse follow.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Mr. C. W. Lawrance, Superintendent of Schools.
Dear Sir:
I herewith submit my annual report as School physician.
Physical examinations were completed in early October.
Our pre-school physical examinations have worked to good advantage and have shown good results.

Our schools have been practically free from contagious diseases.

Details of health work will be found in the nurse's report.
I have had the hearty co-operation of the Superintendent, nurse and teachers for which I am grateful.

Respectfully submitted,
E. A. MAYELL, M. D.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Charles W. Lawrance, Supt. of Schools, Acton, Mass.

Dear Sir:The Physical Examinations for the year were completedearly in October with the following results:Number of Examinations465
Defects found:
Tonsils and Adenoids (diseased or enlarged) ..... 54
Poor Posture ..... 205
Glands ..... 163
Teeth (badly in need of attention) ..... 240
Heart ..... 33
Report of School examinations during the school year doneby the nurse:
Special Examinations ..... 2204
Simple first aid dressings ..... 181
Individual talks on Personal Hygiene ..... 231
Sanitary inspections of various buildings ..... 142
Home Visits ..... 259
Pupils excluded from School because of communicable Disease ..... 18

The Schick test for diphtheria was given to thirty-four pupils in May-Sixteen of this number were positive and received three more doses of T. A. T. There were forty-seven given treatment for the first time.

The summer round-up conferences were held for the first time last June in an endeavor to bring our first graders to school more physically fit. The response was very satisfactory. All children not examined at the conference were examined by their own family physician before school began. Five out of the entering classes had their Tonsils and Adenoids removed before school opened. That alone was a great help in getting these children started right. In most instances children came on the first day of school with their birth certificate, thus overcoming past difficulties in complying with the state laws in regard to these matters. We feel deeply grateful to the hearty co-operation of the parents in this matter.

Three children were taken to the Bolton summer camp. One child gained nine pounds and greatly improved health during her stay at camp.

Four children were re-examined at the under-weight con-
ference. Three were found greatly improved, while the other one was found to be in about the same condition.

The additional play-ground work at high school has proved a great help to Physical Education but we are still very much in need of more time and equipment for this work, especially for indoor work during the winter.

Nearly fifty percent of the students need dental work of a serious nature. If this work is continually neglected it means that the health of the child is greatly impaired and therefore proper progress in school can not be made. We still have no local facilities for this work.

Respectfully submitted,<br>LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## IN CONCLUSION

The past year has been very satisfactory in the cooperation of the school teachers and supervisors with myself and the school committee. Every school plan which covers the educational activities of even four hundred and fifty pupils in twelve grades is intricate and never easy to carry out. May I thank all the teachers and pupils for making their work so successful, and the school committee for their careful planning and consideration of school problems.

Respectfully submitted, CHARLES W. LAWRANCE.

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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1930

MODERATORAllen Brooks Parker
SELECTMEN
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1931
Howard J. Billings ..... Term expires 1932
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires ..... 1933
TOWN CLERK
Horace F. Tuttle
TOWN TREASURER
Frank W. Hoit
ASSESSORS
Warren H. Jones Term expires 1931
Albert P. Durkee Term expires ..... 1932
Henry L. Haynes Term expires ..... 1933
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Howard J. Billings Term expires 1931
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires ..... 1931
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1931
GOLLEGTOR OF TANES Charles A. Durkee
TREE WARDEN
James 0'NeilGONSTABLES
John T. McNiff Charles A. Durkee
CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires ..... 1931
Fred W. Green Term expires ..... 193 ?
Wendell F. Davis Term expires ..... 1933
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
*Randall N. Woodworth Term expires ..... 1931
Louisa N. Wood Term expires ..... 1931
Arthur M. Whitcomb
Term expires ..... $193 \stackrel{2}{2}$
Lulu L. Clark $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Term expires } & 193 \% \\ \text { Term expires } & 1933\end{array}$

* (Appointed to fill racancy)
TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires ..... 1931
J. Sidney White Term expires ..... 1932
Lucius A. Hesselton Term expires ..... 1933
BOARD OF HEALTH
George H. Tuttle ..... Term expires 1931
Raymond F. Durkee Term expires ..... 193~
Frank E. Tasker Term expires ..... 1933
TRUSTEES OF THE ELIZABETH WHITE FUND
William H. Kingsley Term expires 1931
Warren H. Jones ..... Term expires 1932
Waldo E. Whitcomb Term expires 1933
TRUSTEES OF THE WEST ACTON FIREMAN゙S RELIEF FUND
A. N. Hederstedt Term expires ..... 1931
C. D. Cram Term expires ..... 1932
H. Stuart MacGregor Term expires ..... 1933
TRUSTEES OF GOODNOW FUND
Horace F. Tuttle Term expires 1931
Charles E. Smith Term expires ..... $193 \because$
Charlotte Conant Term expires 1933
Appointments by the Selectmen
FINANCE COMMITTEE
Murray Brown Frank W. Hoit Alfred W. Davis
William RawisterGeorge A. RichardsonWebster S. Blanchard
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS
Albert H. Perkins
TOWN AGCOUNTANT
Howard L. Jones
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Clarence D. Chickering Term expires ..... $193 ?$
Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. Term expires 1933
Edwin A. Phelan ..... Term expires 1931Horace F. Tuttle, ex-officio


## ELECTION OFFICERS

Precinct 1

| Warde | n |
| :---: | :---: |
| Deputy Warden | George A. Murphy |
| Clerk | Arthur W. Wayne |
| Deputy Clerk | Spencer H. Taylor |
| Inspector | Arthur F. Davis |
| Deputy Inspector | Willis N. Holden |
| Inspector | Leo F. McGarthy |
| Deputy Inspector | Harold Coughlin |

Precinct 2
Warden Theron F. Newton
Deputy Warden Theron A. Lowden
Clerk John J. Manning
Deputy Clerk ..... Thomas Murray
Inspector ..... Lewis C. Hastings
Deputy Inspector Frank A. Merriam
Inspector Timothy Hennessey
Deputy Inspector James Brown
Precinct 3
Warden Bertram D. Hall
Deputy Warden Fred S. Whitcomb
Clerk David R. Kinsley
Deputy Clerk Frank McDonald
A. R. Beach
Deputy Inspector Harry Holt
Inspector James Kinsley
Deputy Inspector ..... Guy P. Littlefield
FIRE ENGINEERS
Frank W. Hoit, Chief
ASSISTANT ENGINEERS
Precinct 1
Samuel E. Knowlton

Precinct 2 George K. Hayward

Precinct 3
H. Stuart MacGregor
GATTLE INSPECTOR Fred S. Whitcomb
FOREST WARDEN
Alan B. Frost
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES Theron F. Newton
SUPERINTENDENT OF TOWN FOREST
Charles A. Durkee

BURIAL AGENT<br>Frank W. Hoit<br>SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER<br>Frank W. Hoit<br>Charles E. Smith<br>Bertram D. Hall<br>George H. Reed<br>FIELD DRIVERS<br>Michael Foley Alan B. Frost John T. McNiff<br>SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK<br>James O'Neil<br>POLIGE OFFIGERS Chief, Michael J. Foley<br>John T. McNiff<br>Alan B. Frost<br>DIREGTOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY EXTENSION SERVIGE Harlan E. Tuttle

## Jury List

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Precinct 1
Oliver D. Wood
James W. Coughlin
George S. Tucker
Charles E. Willett

Precinct 2
James Brown
Herbert Pratt
Timothy Hennessey
John G. Starbuck
Precinct 3
James E. Kinsley
James A. Grimes
John T. McNiff
William J. Benere
Edgar I. Blaisdell

## TOWN WARRANT

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSAGHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.


To either of the Constables of the Town of Acton, in said County,

Greeting:
In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify the legal voters of said town of Acton, qualified to vote at town meetings for the transaction of town affairs, to meet in their respective precincts, to wit:

> Precinct 1-Town Hall in said Acton.
> Precinct 2-Universalist Church, South Acton.
> Precinct 3-Fire House, West Acton.

At $120^{\circ}$ clock noon. on Monday, the second day of March. 1931 by posting a copy of this warrant, by you attested, at each of the places as directed by vote of the town, seven days at least before the said second day of March.

To bring in their rotes on one ballot for the following town officers: One moderator for one year, one town clerk for one year, one selectman for three years, one assessor for three years, three for department of public welfare for one year, one treasurer for one year, one collector of taxes for one year, four constables for one year, two for school committee for three years, one for school committee for two years to fill the unexpired term of Frank Toohey, one for board of health for three years, one cemetery commissioner for three years, one trustee Memorial Library for three years, one tree warden for one year.

The polls will be open at 12 o'clock noon, and close at 7 o'clock P. M.

You are further requested in the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to notlfy the legal voters of said town of Acton, as aforesaid, to meet at the town hall, in said Acton, on Monday, the ninth day of March, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees, and fix salaries of all town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department, or vote anything thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires, and fix price thereon.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the brown-tail and gypsy moth.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town, or act anything thereon.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow moner from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1931, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under tbis vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse, and appropriate a sum of moner for the maintenance of the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty ( $\$ 50$ ) dollars, or some other amount, in furtherance of and the director to serve in co-operation with the Middlesex County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sections 40-45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 15. To see if the town will appropriate the sum
of eight hundred dollars $(\$ 800)$ for the purpose of completing the action taken under Article 32 of last year or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to continue the reconstruction of Nagog Hill Road from a point about 100 feet east of Main street to the intersection of said Nagog Hill Road with Concord street, a distance of about 1,000 feet, or act anything thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to close the dump at South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to insure its Town Hall or act anything thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 1,350.00$ to purchase and install a fire whistle, or other fire signal device, for use at Acton Centre, or act anything thereon.

Article 20. To see what action the town will take toward locating the new forest fire pump in any particular precinct.

Article 21. To see if the town will accept the provisions of law relative to choosing one highway surveyor or a board of road commissioners,

Article 22. To see what action the town will take in recognition of the gift to the town, of the sidewalks along Main Street in the Centre Village.

Article 23. To see if the town will take some action to enlarge and improve the condition of the vault in the Memorial Library, now used for the keeping of the public records, and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to purchase a gas range for the town hall and a gas radiator heater for the town clerk's office in the town hall, or act anything thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to rebuild the Stow Street bridge or act anything thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to install heat and make necessary repairs on the West Acton Fire House, or act anything thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to install 18 1.000 candle power lights, six lights to be installed in each village, or act anything thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to appoint a planning board in accordance with Chapter 41. Section 70. General Laws.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 1.500$ for the purpose of preparing a zoning map and zoning law for the town, to be brought before the town at the next annual town meeting, and appoint a committee to carry out this article, or act anything thereon.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to purchase a
strip of land of the Citizens' Library Association situated on the northerly side of the Fire House in West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Article 31. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,000$ to lay approximately 1,000 feet of pipe from the Maynard line to the property of the American Powder Company, and install two hydrants, or act anything thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will authorize the School Committee to dispose of the old building formerly used for toilets at the West Acton School, or take any action thereon.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to re-insure the high school building and its contents on the expiration of its present policies, November 1, 1931, and appropriate a sum of money to pay for such insurance, or act anything thereon.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to accept the proposed additions to the by-laws as printed in the town report, or act anything thereon.

Article 35 . To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 4,000$ to continue the reconstruction of the Newtown Road to the Littleton line provided a like sum is allotted to the town by the state and a similar sum by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of $\$ 3,000$ to rebuild High Street, from a point opposite the home of Wm. Rawitzer to the Sudbury line provided a like sum is allotted to the town by the state and a similar amount by the County of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Article 37. To determine whether the Town of Acton will relocate Newtown Road, so called, near by, or through the property of the Church of Jesus Christ, in accordance with plans satisfactory to the Department of Public Works, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to purchase new chairs for the town hall and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act anything thereon.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the town clerk at or before the first time of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Acton, this fourth day of February, 1931.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

We submit herewith for your approval a report of the various departments of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1930.

In addition to the supervision of the regular work of the various departments which come under our jurisdiction, we were instructed to carry out certain special work under Articles 18, 19, 26, 27, 29 and 32.

Article 18. We have completed the reconstruction of Summer Street from Central Street to the Boxboro line according to the provisions of the vote.

Article 19. We have completed the reconstruction of about 6,000 feet of the Newtown Road, starting at Acton Centre and going toward the Littleton line. Both Summer Street and the Newtown Road were let out as one contract to John J. Watkins of Amesbury, Mass. By letting both of these roads under the one contract we were able to get a much more favorable bid on this work.

Article 26. The improvements on the Fire House at Acton Centre called for under this article have been completed. The contract for this work was awarded to John Smith and Ellwyn Hollowell for the sum of $\$ 1,000$.

The very creditable work of improving the outside of the Acton Centre Fire House including the cement driveway and cement sidewalk has been done by the Acton Chemical Company No. 1. Mr. Thomas F. Drummond was chairman of the committee who raised the money necessary for this work by public subscription. The Selectmen wish to take this opportunity to again thank the Fire Company on behalf of the Town for this work.

Article 27 . The installation of the compressed air fire whistle has been completed in the South Acton Fire House. We wish here again to thank the members of the South Acton Fire Company who gave so much of their time to the work of installing this whistle. The committee in charge of this work were: Mr. George K. Hayward, Mr. Earl Hayward, Mr. Ralph Piper and the Selectmen.

Acting under Article 29 the Selectmen have had the fountain formerly located in the centre of Quimby Square removed and have connected the water and installed a drinking fountain in the old stone trough on School Street.

Article 32. The County Commissioners have relocated
the line of the highway at the southeast corner of Quimby Square.

The new cement sidewalks which have been constructed in Acton Centre during the past year were made possible by the generosity of Mr. Augustine B. Conant and we extend to him and to the other citizens who contributed in this work, the sincere appreciation of the people of Acton for this outstanding improvement.

We feel that the financial condition of the Town is very favorable, largely due to the careful planning of the Finance Committee before making their recommendations to the Town and further to the co-operation which the townspeople have shown in following the recommendations of that committee. We now have a very reasonable tax rate and we feel sure that the business of our town can be properly conducted without greatly increasing this tax rate, providing this policy of careful planning and co-operation is continued.

HOWARD J. BILLINGS, WALDO E. WHITGOMB.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the citizens of the Town of Acton:
We have rendered aid continuously through the year to two elderly persons who are being cared for in private families. We also have another permanent case in the State hospital at Tewksbury.

Two other families have received temporary aid, one residing in the town of Acton and one in the town of Littleton.

HOWARD J. BILLINGS,<br>WENDELL F. DAVIS,<br>WALDO E. WHITGOMB.

## Abstract of the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting, Held March 10, 1930

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers and committees and fix salaries of all town officers.

Chose, Waldo E. Whitcomb, trustee of the Elizabeth White fund, for three years.

Chose. H. Stuart, McGregor, trustee of the West Acton Fireman's Relief fund, for three years.

Chose, Charlotte Conant, trustee of the Goodnow fund, for three years.

Voted: To fix the salary of the tax collector at three quarters of one percent of the amount collected, and to allow an additional charge for expense of postage incurred in the collection of taxes.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the selectmen be two huadred dollars per annum and the other members one hundred dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the moderator be fifteen dollars for the annual meeting and ten dollars for other meetings.

Voted: That the salary of the chairman of the board of public welfare be seventy-five dollars per annum and the other members forty dollars each per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town treasurer be five hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town accountant be four - hundred dollars per annum.

Voted: That the salary of the town clerk be two hundred dollars per annum.

Voled: That the salaries of the assessors be nine hundred dollars, in the aggregate; per annum to be apportioned as they may determine, the said sum to include any salary of a clerk.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to fix the salaries of all other town officers.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to accept the several reports of the town officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the several town of ficers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of any committees chosen at any previous meeting that have not already reported.

Mr. Howard J. Billings reported for the committee chosen to investigate the matter of claims on account of the accident to the school bus, at South Acton, April 27, 1928.

The report of the committee, appointed to consider the matter of electric lighting in the town of Acton, was presented as printed in the annual reports of town officers.

Voted: That the reports given be accepted as reports of progress.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate to defray the necessary and usual expenses of the several departments of the town and determine how the same shall be raised.

Under this article and other articles in the warrant it was voted to appropriate for:

Roads, general maintenance . . . . . . . . . . \$12,000.00
Schools . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $45,000.00$
Street lighting . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5, 5 50. 00
Memorial library, current expenses ....... 800.00
Memorial library, books . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
Hydrant service . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,959.00
General government . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5,000.00
Buildings and grounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 800.00
Cemeteries . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,200.00
Military aid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
State aid . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
Soldiers relief . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Police department . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,500.00
Board of health . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,000.00
Public welfare . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,500.00
Snow removal . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,500.00
Care of shade trees . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Unclassified . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Bonds (High school and others) . . . . . . . . 9,500.00
Interest on bonds and notes . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,276.00
Interest on revenue loans ............... 2,300.00
Memorial day . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 300.00
Fire department maintenance . . . . . . . . . . 2,000.00
Fire department, new hose ............ . . 700.00
Forest fires . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Gypsy moth work . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,250.00$
Liability insurance
500.00

Treasurer's and collector's bonds
Public health nurse
270.00

Demonstration work in agriculture . . . . . . 300.00
Claims, settlements ..................... . . 300.00
Summer street, rebuilding . . . . . . . . . . . . 3,000.00
Newton road, rebuilding . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3,000. 00
Town Forest work
150.00

Fire house, Acton Center alterations ...... 1,000.00
Fire whistle, South Acton
650.00

High school, athletic field . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3,500. 00
Town hall grounds
500.00

Committee on tercentennial observance .. 100.00
Quimby square, alterations . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00

Voled: To appropriate $\$ 1,200.00$ from the overlay surplus for a reserve fund.

Voted: To instruct the assessors to deduct from the
the amount required to be assessed the current year $\$ 10,000.00$ on account of surplus revenut and the amount of all the estimated receipts of the town, except from loans and taxes.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the observance of Memorial day.

Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, to be expended under the direction of a committee consisting of the commander of Isaac Davis Post, G. A. R., the commander of the American Legion, and the chairman of the selectmen.

Article 6. To see what action the town will take in regard to the collection of taxes.

Voted: That all taxes, other than poll, shall be payable not later than October 15, 1930, and on all taxes remaining umpaid after November 1, interest shall be charged at the rate of six percent per annum from October 15, 1930, until such taxes are paid.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the fire department or act anything thereon.

Voted: To raise and appropriate two thousand dollars for the maintenance of the fire department and seven hundred dollars for the purchase of new hose.

Article 8. To see if the town will pay for fighting brush fires and fix the price thereon.

Voted: To appropriate five hundred dollars, for fighting brush fires, and that the price per hour be fixed by the forest warden.

Article 9. To see what action the town will take toward the suppression of the gypsy and brown tail moth.

Voted: To appropriate $\$ 1,250.00$ for moth work.
Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to insure the employees of the town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars.

Article 11. To see what amount of money the town will appropriate for the payment of premiums on the treasuurer's and collector's bonds, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of two hundred and seventy dollars.

Article 12. To see if the town will authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1930, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid, from the revenue of said financial year.

Voted: That the town treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1930, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to employ a public health nurse and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the same.

Voted: To employ a public health nurse to be under the direction of the board of health.

Voted: To appropriate twenty-two hundred dollars for the maintenance of said nurse.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $\$ 300.00$, or some other amount, and elect a director; the money to be expended by, and the director to serve in cooperation with the Middlesex County trustees for county aid to agriculture in the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service, under the provisions of Sectcions 40 to 45, Chapter 128, General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred (300) dollars to be expended as stated in the article, and to instruct the selectmen to appoint a director.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell any unused equipment of the different departments of the town, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To authorize the selectmen to sell any unused equipment of the different departments of the town.

Article 16. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, or some other sum for the settlement of claims against the town and legal expenses in connection therewith, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the settlement of claims against the town and legal expenses connected therewith.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to have one street light placed at, or near the driveway of Herbert S. Davis, on Main street.

Voted: To authorize the selectmen and the electric
light committee appointed in 1929, acting jointly, to have one street light placed at or near the driveway of Herbert S. Davis on Main street.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand $(3,000)$ dollars, to rebuild Summer street from Central street to the Boxboro line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the State and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Summer street from Central street to the Boxboro line, provided a like sum is alloted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three thousand $(3,000)$ dollars, to rebuild Newtown road from Main street to the Littleton line, provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars to rebuild Newtown road from Main street to the Littleton line. provided a like sum is allotted the town by the state and a similar sum by the county of Middlesex.

Article 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of $\$ 150.00$ for town forest work, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate one hundred and fifty (150) dollars for town forest work.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to accept the Board of Survey act, in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 73 to 81 inclusive. General Laws, or act anything thereon.

Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Sections 73 to 81 inclusive of the General Laws, known as the Board of Survey act.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee, to present to the town, at next annual town meeting a tentative zoning map and laws, in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 25. General Laws, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That a committee of seven be appointed by the moderator to consider the advisability of adopting the zoning laws, and also to consider the advisability of choosing a planning board to report to the town at the next annual meeting.

The moderator appointed the committee, as follows: W. Stuart Allen. William H. Merriam. William Rawitzer, Horace F. Tuttle, A. N. Hederstedt, George A. Richardson, Everett N. Montague.

Article 23. To see if the town will appoint a planning board, in accordance with Chapter 41 , Section 70, General Laws.

This article was considered jointly with Article 22.
See vote recorded under Article 22.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to establish and maintain a street light on the pole opposite the Acton Motor Company, School street, West Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the town maintain a street light opposite the Acton Motor Company garage.

Voted: That the arrangements for installing such light be left with the selectmen and electric light committee, acting jointly.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the suin of two hundred dollars to buy new improved equipment for the fire truck, in precinct three, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To pass over the article.
Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand $(1,000)$ dollars for the purpose of reconstructing the roof of the fire house at Acton Center, so as to provide a room on the second floor for firemen's meetings, or any other town purposes, or act anything thereon.

Voted, unanimously, to appropriate one thousand dollars for the purpose stated in the article.

Article 27. To see if the town will appropriate six hundred and fifty dollars to install a compressed air whistle at the fire house in South Acton, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate six hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose named in the article, provided an efficient whistle can be installed for that sum. Voted, that the selectmen and three members of the South Acton fire department to be chosen by the selectmen, be a committee to carry out this vote.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars to develop the High school athletic field and grounds, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars to develop the High school athletic field and grounds.

Article 29. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen, to remove the fountain located in the center of Quimby square and to connect water to the stone trough on School street, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the selectmen be authorized to remove the fountain in Quimby square and connect water to the stone trough on School street.

Article 30. To see what action the town will take with regards to a tercentennial celebration.

Voted: That the town accept the invitation of the town of Goncord to participate in a tercentennial celebration. Voted, to instruct the town clerk to notify the town of Concord of the acceptance of their invitation.

Voted: That the selectmen, with Miss Charlolte

Gonant, Arthur F. Blanchard and Frank A. Merriam be a committee to represent the town in all matters relating to said celebration.

Voted: To appropriate one hundred dollars, for the use of the committee.

Article 31. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars to improve the ground for parking purposes around the town hall, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the matter be placed in the hands of the selectmen and that the sum of five hundred dollars be appropriated for the work.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote, to relocate the highway at the southeast corner of Quimby square and - appropriate a sum of money therefor, or act anything thereon.

Voted: To instruct the selectmen to petition the County Commissioners to relocate the line of the highway, near or at the southeast corner of Quimby square.

Article 33. To see what action the town will take toward placing a raised triangular plot, in Quimby square, conforming to the three ways making them two-way streets from all angles, placing an underground wiring to a light or lights on a metal pole and otherwise reconditioning the square, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the matter be left discretionary with the selectmen with power to act. That two hundred dollars be appropriated to defray any expense incurred by the selectmen in the matter.

## Proceedings of the Special Meeting, Held July 17, 1930

Article 1. To determine what action the town will take regarding the proposed application of the Boston Consolidated Gas Company for a franchise to distribute gas in the town of Acton.

Voted: That the selectmen be instructed to grant a franchise to the Boston Consolidated Cas Company to distribute gas in the town of Acton.

Voted: That the matter of requiring bonds and all matters relating to the laying of pipes in the streets of the town be left with the selectmen.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to maintain three hydrants, one opposite the residence of W. Stuart Allen on the State road; one on Davis road, between the residences of Luther Davis and Franklin E. Griffin and one near the buildings of Charlotte Conant on Lowell road.

Voted: That the town maintain three hydrants, one opposite the residence of W. Stuart Allen on the State road:
one on Davis road, between the residences of Luther Davis and Franklin E. Griffin and one near the residence of Gharlotte Conant on Lowell road.

Voted that thirty dollars be appropriated from the overlay surplus fund for the cost of service for the current year.

Article 3. To see if the town will appropriate an additional sum of money for fighting brush fires.

Voted: To appropriate four hundred dollars from the overlay surplus for expenses of fighting brush fires the current year.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to buy a piece of brush fire fighting equipment similar to that used and recommended by the State Forestry department and appropriate from the overlay surplus fund a sum of money therefor, or act anything thereon.

Voted: That the selectmen, fire chief, the three fire engineers and forest warden be a committee to investigate the matter of equipment for fighting brush fires, with authority to purchase.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $\$ 2,500.00$ from the overlay surplus fund therefor.

## STATE ELECTION, November 4, 1930

Party designations: D, Democrat; S. L., Socialist Labor; G, Communist Party; S, Socialist Party and R, Republican Party. Whole number of ballots cast, 904.

## GOVERNOR

Prec't 1 Prec't 2 Prec't 3 Total

| John W. Aiken, S. L. . . . . . . | 4 | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Frank G. Allen, R. . . . . . . | 204 | 219 | 268 | 691 |
| Harry J. Canter G. . . . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Joseph B. Ely, D. . . . . . . . | 41 | 88 | 60 | 189 |
| Alfred Baker Lewis, S. . . . . . | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . | 1 | 4 | 12 |  |

## LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

| Strabo V. Claggett, D. . . . . . . | 35 | 84 | 52 | 171 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Maria C. Correia, C. . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stephen J. Surridge, S. L. . . . | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Edith M. Williams, S....... | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| William Sterling Youngman, R | 207 | 212 | 271 | 690 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 8 | 16 | 15 | 39 |

## SECRETARY

| Daniel T. Blessington, S. L. . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Frederick W. Cook, R. . . . | 202 | 207 | 267 | 676 |
| Albert Sprague Coolidge, S. . | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| James W. Dawson, C. . . . . | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Chester J. O'Brien, D. . . . . . | 32 | 84 | 47 | 163 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 15 | 19 | 25 | 59 |

TREASURER

| Fred Jefferson Burrell, R. . . . | 173 | 177 | 227 | 577 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Eva Hoffman, C. . . . . . . . | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Charles F. Hurley, D. . . . . | 58 | 96 | 76 | 230 |
| Walter F. Hutchins, S. . . . . | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Charles S. Oram, S. L. . . . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . | 17 | 37 | 36 | 90 |

## AUDITOR

| Alonzo B. Cook, R. . . . . . . . . | 189 | 199 | 257 | 645 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Harry Fieldman, S. . . . . . . | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Francis X. Hurley, D. . . . . | 40 | 86 | 54 | 180 |
| Albert Oddie, G. . . . . . . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Fred E. Oelcher, S. L. . . . . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . | 27 | 29 | 77 |  |

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

| Morris I. Becker, S. L. . . . . . | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| John W. Janhonen, G.. . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| John Weaver Sherman, S. . . | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Harold W. Sullivan, D. . . . . | 33 | 76 | 46 | 155 |
| Joseph E. Warner, R. . . . . . | 207 | 205 | 267 | 679 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . | 9 | 30 | 25 | 64 |

## SENATOR IN GONGRESS

| William M. Butler, R. . . . . . . | 191 | 196 | 255 | 642 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Marcus A. Coolidge, D. . . . . | 52 | 107 | 66 | 225 |
| Oscar Kinsalas, S. L. . . . . | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Max Lerner, C. . . . . . . . . | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sylvester J. McBride, S. . . . . | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . | 6 | 9 | 18 | 33 |

## GONGRESSMAN

| Joseph M. Halloran, D. . . . . . | 28 | 65 | 43 | 136 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Edith Nourse Rogers, R. . . . | 213 | 235 | 273 | 721 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . | 10 | 13 | 24 | 47 |

## GOUNGILLOR

| Esther M. Andrews, R. . . . . . | 198 | 197 | 251 | 646 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Henry W. Brett, D. . . . . . . | 30 | 77 | 50 | 157 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 23 | 39 | 39 | 101 |

## SENATOR

| Paul A. Mogan, D. . . . . . . . . | 42 | 83 | 51 | 176 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| George G. Moyse, R. . . . . . | 188 | 199 | 256 | 643 |
| Blanks ................ | 21 | 31 | 33 | 85 |

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

| Karl M. Perham, D. . . . . . . . . | 45 | 78 | 43 | 166 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Louis Pfeiffer, R. . . . . . . . . | 27 | 199 | 259 | 637 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . | 27 | 36 | 38 | 101 |

## DISTRRICT ATTORNEY

| Warren L. Bishop, R. . . . . . . . . | 197 | 199 | 261 | 657 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| John F. Daly, D. . . . . . . . . | 23 | 72 | 41 | 144 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . | 23 | 42 | 38 | 103 |


| REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENGY |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| John J. Butler, D. . . . . . . . | 31 | 73 | 49 | 153 |
| Loring P. Jordan, R. . . . . . . . | 191 | 191 | 247 | 629 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 29 | 49 | 44 | 122 |

## GOUNTY COMMISSIONER

| Erson B. Barlow, R. . . . . . . . . | 196 | 180 | 253 | 629 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Robert F. Donovan, D. . . . . | 26 | 73 | 46 | 145 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 29 | 60 | 41 | 130 |

## ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS

| E. Perry Johnson, D. . . . . . . . . | 24 | 57 | 34 | 115 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| John M. Keyes, R. . . . . | 171 | 175 | 234 | 580 |
| John J. Noreau, D. . . . . . . | 19 | 51 | 21 | 91 |
| Melvin G. Rogers, R. . . . . . . | 135 | 143 | 192 | 470 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 153 | 200 | 199 | 552 |

## GOUNTY TREASURER

| J. Frank Facey, D. . . . . . . . . | 26 | 68 | 42 | 136 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Charles E. Hatfield, R. . . . . . | 180 | 173 | 248 | 601 |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . | 45 | 72 | 50 | 167 |

## QUESTION NO. . 1

Proposed amendment to the Constitution relative to apportionment of Senatorial, Representative and Councillor districts.

| Yes | 87 | 101 | 109 | 297 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No | 41 | 47 | 45 | 133 |
| Blanks | 123 | 165 | 186 | 474 |

QUESTION NO. 2
Relative to repeal of State Volstead act.

| Yes . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 82 | 125 | 118 | 325 |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| No $\quad 134$ | 131 | 151 | 416 |  |
| Blanks . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 35 | 57 | 71 | 163 |

QUESTION NO. 3
Relative to trapping animals.

| Yes | 118 |  | 141 | 16 |  | 420 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No | 85 |  | 96 | 98 | 8 | 279 |
| Blanks | 48 |  | 76 | 8 | 1 | 205 |
| vote FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE 11th MIDDLESEX DISTRICT, NOV. 4. 1930 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Karl M. Perham, of Chelm | 166156 | 62 | 1286 | 113 |  | 2167 |
| Louis Pfeiffer, of Bedford | 637436 | 107 | 908 | 329 |  | 2863 |
| Blanks | 10159 | 17 | 129 | 39 | 85 | 430 |
| Total | 904651 | 186 | 2323 | 481 | 915 | 546 |

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

## Births

Whole number recorded ..... 41
Born in Acton 8 Native parentage ..... 29
Males 27 Foreign parentage ..... 3
Females 1' Mixed parentage ..... 9
Marriages
Whole number recorded ..... 27
Residents of Acton 36 Residents other places ..... 18
Deaths
Whole number recorded ..... 41
Residents of Acton .. 37 Residents other places ..... 4
Occurring in Acton .. 32 Occurring other places ..... 9Average age in years 62 plus

The town clerk requests information of any errors or omissions in the list of births, marriages and deaths. The town clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish blanks for the return of births and deaths.

## Births Registered in 1930


James Jeremiah and
Mildred Mary Carr
Thomas F．and Banks Earl A．and
Hanson Stuart and Ruth Hewitt Arthur and Mabel S． Herbert William and Leonard Graham and Minnie Napolitano
Ronald Hartwell and Marion Frances Cole Orla E．and Mary O．Briggs Steven Wells and Alice Rose Goodrich Leonard William and
Iner and Helen Beatrice Robbins Clifford and Mary Dubs Clifford and Mary Dube
Daniel W．and Catherine A．Sheehan Vernon Leroy and Dorothy Ruth Dunn L．Leroy and Helen S．Cole
William Henry and
Katherine May Guise
Concord．．Hurley，Mildred Louise Concord．．MacGregor，Doris Ruth ．．． Concord ．．McKelvie，Catherine Vinni Concord．．Merriam，Marjorie Ethel

## Morse，Walter Emerson

## Ronald Cole

Robert Stanley
Page，Steven Wells，Jr．．
Barbara Jean

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Smith，Ronald Vernon
Strong，Elliot Wilson
Teele，Betty Ann ．．．
Concord．
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Concord. .Tracy, Richard Roland . . . . Alfred Henry and
Gladys Louise Schnair
Concord. . Tracy, Charles Abbot . . . . . Howard Samuel and
Portia Elizabeth Hardy
Concord. . Troupe, James Edward . . . . James J. and Marie I. Bengston
Concord. White, Jean Marie . . . . Robert Henry and
Elizabeth May Scully
Concord. . Wilgreı, Niilo John, Jr. . . . .Niilo John and
Dora Constance Stephens


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William E.
Stewart, Mabel .......
Morse, Leonard Graham Marse, Leonard Gitano, Minnie Murray, John J. . . . Acton Maynara Acton Maynard Acton Somerville Acton

## Deaths Registered in 1930

| No. | Date of Death | Name | Yrs. Mos. Days |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Aug. 29. | Amico, Salvatore | 54 |  |  |
| 2. | Aug. 22. | Brown, James Augustus | 76 | 6 |  |
| 3. | Jan. 29. | Bumpus, Catherine S. | 85 | 11 | 5 |
| 4. | May 6. | Butler, Horace Bert | 50 |  |  |
| 5. | Sept. 12. | Cahill, Michael | 72 | 7 |  |
| 6. | Aug. 24. | Cobleigh, Alfred Jerden |  | 4 | 16 |
| 7. | June 21. | Ciook, David | 64 | 8 |  |
| 8. | Dec. 3. | Crocker, Charles | 64 | 6 |  |
| 9. | Feb. 23. | Dike, Fanny L. | 70 |  |  |
| 10. | Oct. 25. | Flagg, Roland Crosby | 27 | 4 | 0 |
| 11. | Mar. 11. | Gagnon, Robert S. | 13 | 8 | 21 |
| 12. | July 27. | Garceau, Joseph August | 4 | 3 |  |
| 13. | June 1. | Holton, Charles J. . | 66 | 2 | 25 |
| 14. | June 12. | Jones, Elizabeth | 96 | 4 |  |
| 15. | May 20. | Jones, Emma Estella | 76 | 7 | 21 |
| 16. | May 7. | King, Ethelyn Lois | 19 | 3 | 20 |
| 17. | Feb. 14. | Maker, Elizabeth | 72 | 8 |  |
| 18. | Apr. 17. | Marsh, Amelia E. | 82 | 10 |  |
| 19. | Nov. 27. | McGarthy, Mary McEll | 69 | 5 |  |
| 20. | Apr. 9. | Packard, Marion Inez | 67 | , |  |
| 21. | Apr. 1. | Parker, George Bethone | 92 |  | 29 |
| 22. | Apr. 29. | Penney, John Clovis | 78 | 8 | 19 |
| 23. | Dec. 24. | Porter, Alice Eliza | 81 | 1 | 24 |
| 24. | Apr. 18. | Pope, Benjamin | 72 | 11 |  |
| 25. | Feb. 26. | Robbins, Solon A. | 82 | 10 |  |
| 26. | Apr. 4. | Richardson, Ellen S. | 81 | , | 23 |
| 27. | Feb. 21. | Sanborn, Eunice Loretta | 75 |  | 2 |
| 28. | May 8. | Schofield, Ronald Dayson | 1 | 5 | 17 |
| 29. | Oct. 28. | Schnair, Leah | 62 | 8 | 10 |
| 30. | Sept. 6. | Shapley, Carrie Luella | 62 | 3 |  |
| 31. | Oct. 23. | Sheehan, Catherine. | 81 | 3 | 19 |
| 32. | Apr. 23. | Spinney, Everett | 62 | 3 |  |
| 33. | June 6. | Taplin, Guy L. | 50 |  |  |
| 34. | July 6. | Taylor, William Stearns | 36 | 6 | 16 |
| 35. | Jan. 17. | Turner, George Clinton | 86 | 9 |  |
| 36. | Feb. 25. | Watson, Joseph | 81 | 4 |  |
| 37. | July 27. | Whitcomb, Mary Houghto | 78 |  |  |
| 38. | May 25. | Wolff, Herman |  | 9 | 26 |
| 39. | Мау 25. | Wolff, Mary Walker | 50 | 5 |  |

Date of
Place of Death
Boston .......
Clinton .......
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## Persons Having Dogs Licensed in 1930

Allard, MoseAllen, John F. ..... 2.00$\$ 2.00$
Armburg, Fred
Alt, Julia ..... 2.00
Bancroft, C. A. ..... 5.00
Batchelder, Walter I. ..... 2.00
Baxter, Miriam F ..... 2.00
Bedford, Mrs. A. E. ..... 2.00
Bennett, L. W. ..... 2.00
Berglind, Edward E. ..... 2.00
Berglind, John E. ..... 2.00
Berry, James N. ..... 2.00
Berry, Ethel M. ..... 5.00
Blaisdell, Lucile ..... 2.00
Blanchard. Webster S. ..... 2.00Bondelvitch, Walter
Booker. John ..... 7.004.00
Bowen. Robert M.
Bowman. Herbert E. ..... 2.00
Bradford. F. W. R. ..... 2.00
Bradbury, Rolfe ..... 4.00
Brothen, Arne ..... 5.00
Brill, Fred E. ..... 2.00
Brown, J. A. ..... 2.00
Brown, Robert ..... 2.00
Brown, Evelyn L. ..... 2.00
Bulette, Frank W. ..... 2.00
Busch, Edward ..... 2.00
Butler, Mrs. H. B. ..... 2.00
Caldwell, Hazel ..... 2.00
Caldwell, Margaret ..... 2.00
Gahill, William ..... 2.00
Chaffin, Nancy S. ..... 4.00
Charter. W. W. ..... 2.00
Charles. Florence F. ..... 2.00
Cheney. Edward ..... 2.00
Christofferson, Allen MClark. O. L.2.00
Claflin. Leon N. ..... 2.00
Clifford, Albert ..... 2.00
Condon, Timothy ..... 2.00
Conant, Charlotte ..... 2.00
Coombs, George J. ..... 2.00
Costello. Edward ..... 5.00
Goughlin, Genevieve E. ..... 2.00
Coughlin, Harold J. ..... 6.00
Creeley Estate ..... 2.00
Crocker, Charles ..... 2.00
Curley, Thomas ..... 2.00
Davis, Charles E. ..... 14.00
Davis, Wendell F. ..... 5.00
Davis, H. S. ..... 4.00
Davis, Warren A. \& Son ..... 5.00
Densmore, Joseph A. ..... 4.00
DeSousa, Joseph J ..... 2.00
DiGiacomandrea, Nico- lo ..... 5.00
Drummond. Thomas F. ..... 2.00
Durkee, C. A. ..... 5.00
Durkee. Raymond F. ..... 2.00
Duren, Delta B. ..... 2.00
Edney, Charles F. ..... 2.00
Enneguess, Michael ..... 4.00
Evans, John H. ..... 7.00
Farrar. Frank B. ..... 2.00
Farrar. J. ..... 2.00
Ferguson, Robert C. ..... 2.00
Fisher, Charles ..... 2.00
Finan, Bertha C. ..... 5.00
Flagg. Alden ..... 4.00
Fletcher, Charlie J. ..... 2.00
Fletcher, John L. ..... 7.00
Foley, Patrick ..... 2.00
Freeman, Mathew ..... 4.00
Freeman, Richard ..... 5.00
French, G. H. ..... 2.00
Frost. Alan B. ..... 5.00
Fullonton. L. T. ..... 2.00
Gallant. Mildred ..... 4.00
Gallant, Minnie P ..... 2.00
Gagnon, John B. ..... 2.00
Garcean. Jean B. ..... 5.00
Gibbs. Harriet E. ..... 2.00
Goodwin, Martin F. ..... 2.00
Green, Catherine ..... 2.00
Griffin, Franklin E. ..... 7.00
Hall, Mary F. ..... 2.00
Harrison, B. M ..... 6.00
Hart, Mrs. Nelson ..... 2.00
Harvey, Lucretia H. ..... 7.00
Hayes, Michael G. ..... 4.00
Haynes, Albert L. ..... 2.00
Hayward, George K. ..... 2.00
Hicks. Albert J. ..... 2.00
Hilliard. John A. ..... 2.00
Holbrook. F. A. ..... 4.00
Holden. F. H. ..... 2.00
Howard, Clarence R. ..... 2.00
Howe, Leonard . . . . . 2.00
Howe, O. H. ..... 2.00
Penney, D. F. ..... 4.00
Penney, John
Penney, John ..... 2.00 ..... 2.00
Hurley, James J. ..... 2.00
Jalonen, Arthur ..... 4.00
Jensen, Peter ..... 2.00
Jones, A. G. ..... 2.00
Jones, Howard F. ..... 2.00
Jones, Hugh M. ..... 2.00
Jones, Warren H. ..... 2.00
Kane, Walter E. ..... 2.00
Kasokas, William ..... 7.00
Kelley, Julia T. ..... 2.00
King, Benjamin ..... 4.00
Kilmartin, W. T. ..... 25.00
Knowlton, Samuel E. ..... 2.00
Laffin, Ormal S. R. ..... 2.00
Laffin, Sidney ..... 7.00
LaRoche, Arthur ..... 6.00
Larsen, Jorgen ..... 5.00
Lears, William ..... 2.00
LeClare, Omar ..... 2.00
Littlefield, Ralph ..... 2.00
Livermore, W. J. ..... 7.00
Lowden, E. Philip ..... 2.00
Marsh, A. W. ..... 2.00
MacGregor, Ida ..... 2.00
MacGregor, Stuart ..... 2.00
MacKinnon, F. R. ..... 2.00
Mason, Roger ..... 6.00
Massie, William, Jr. ..... 2.00
Mayell, Ruth ..... 2.00
Maynes, Everett M. ..... 2.00
McGarthy, Leo ..... 5.00
McGovern, John ..... 2.00
McLaughlin, Joseph ..... 2.00
Mel, Eleanor ..... 4.00
Merriam, Harold ..... 2.00
Morehouse, Mrs. C. F. ..... 4.00
Montague, Everett N. ..... 2.00
Morse, Leonard ..... 2.00
Morrison, Frederick D 10.00Munn, William2.00
Murgatroyd, James ..... 9.00
Newell, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Newell, L. F. ..... 2.00
Noterman, Emile ..... 5.00
Olsen, Peter, Jr. ..... 2.00
O'Neil, James ..... 5.00
Packard, James M. ..... 2.00
Paskiewicz, Stanley ..... 2.00
Pederson, John ..... 5.00
Penniman, Leonard ..... 2.00
Perkins A. Hazelton ..... 2.00
Perry, Antonio ..... 2.00
Phillips, Andrew ..... 2.00
Pope, Bessie N. ..... 6.00
Porter, Fannie T. ..... 4.00
Powers, Edwin L. ..... 2.00
Pratt, Edward F. ..... 2.00
Pratt, Herbert T. ..... 2.00
Price, Louise M. ..... 4.00
Rafuse, Edith M. ..... 2.00
Rawitzer, William ..... 4.00
Rayner, Dorothy ..... 2.00
Reed, G. Howard ..... 10.00
Reed, Otis J. ..... 2.00
Reid, Robert A. 3d ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Arthur ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Harold R. ..... 2.00
Reynolds, Jesse G. ..... 2.00
Richardson, Geo. A ..... 2.00
Roche, Francis B. ..... 5.00
Robbins, Freeman W. ..... 2.00
Robbins, Paul G. ..... 2.00
Russell, Emma F. ..... 2.00
Rugg, George ..... 2.00
Sanborn, Everett R. ..... 2.00
Sawyer, Benjamin H. ..... 2.00
Schofield, Harris G. ..... 5.00
Scott, T. A. ..... 4.00
Sebastian, Josephine E. ..... 2.00
Shapley, Eva G. ..... 2.00
Sherman, Gladys ..... 2.00
Sherman, Jacob ..... 5.00
Sisson, George T. ..... 12.00
Smith, Ralph ..... 2.00
Soar, Henry ..... 2.00
Spinney, E. R. ..... 2.00
Spinney, Alice L ..... 2.00
Starck, Gecil ..... 2.00
Stearns, Margery E. ..... 2.00
Stevens, Woodburg ..... 2.00
Stiles, Frank L. ..... 5.00
Stokes, William ..... 2.00
Stoney, Mrs. Reginald ..... 2.00
Swanson, Oscar ..... 2.00
Sylvia, E. W. ..... 2.00
Taylor, Spencer H. ..... 2.00
Todd, Ethel ..... 10.00
Terrio, Ephraim ..... 5.00
Tolman, Wilbur ..... 5.00
Tracy, Alfred ..... 2.00
Tripp, Horatio W. ..... 2.00
Tucker, George S., Jr. ..... 2.00
Tucker, Lawrence I. . ..... 2.00
Turner, George C. ..... 2.00
Tuttle, George F. ..... 2.00
Tuttle, Horace C. ..... 2.00
Vila, Maud ..... 2.00
Waite, F. A ..... 5.00
229 licenses at $\$ 2.00$ ..... $\$ 458.00$ ..... 205.00
41 licenses at $\$ 5.00$ ..... 50.00
Watkins, John H.
Watkins, John H. ..... 4.00
Weaver, George T.
Weaver, George T. ..... 25.00
Whitcomb, Fred S.
Whitcomb, Fred S. ..... 4.00
Whitney, Cora A.
Whitney, Cora A. ..... 2.00
Willett, Charles E.
Willett, Charles E. ..... 2.00
Wise, Glenna
Wise, Glenna ..... 2.00
Wood, Mrs. H. L.
Wood, Mrs. H. L. ..... 2.00
Wood, Oliver D.
Wood, Oliver D. ..... 2.00
Woodworth, Randall N. ..... 2.00
Young, David E.
Young, David E. ..... 2.00
Due county treasurer, 1929 account ..... 10.20$\$ 668.80$

| May 21, 1930——Paid county treasurer | $\$ 167.40$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Nov. 15, 1930—Paid county treasurer | 499.60 |
| Dec. 31, 1930——Due county treasurer | 1.80 |

$\$ 668.80$

## NOTICE

## All dog licenses here listed expire March 31, 1930.

Dogs must be licensed on or before April 1st or the owners or keepers thereof are liable to a fine.

The law applies to all dogs three months old or over, regardless of time of year ownership is acquired.

No tax bills are sent to owners of dogs.
HORACE F. TUTTLE, Town Clerk..

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Year Ending December 31, 1930

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\text { Cash on hand . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 18,656.26
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Received from State Treasurer:
Income of Mass. School fund ..... 1,909.84
Income tax, 1929 ..... 650.00
Tuition of children ..... 151.76
Income tax, 1929 ..... 266.30
Income tax B, 1929 ..... 286.58
Income tax P. S., 1929 ..... 63
National Bank tax, 1927 ..... 31
National Bank tax, 1929 ..... 27
Trust Co. tax, 1928 ..... 25
Loss of land taxes ..... 463.00
Shirley School, hose reel ..... 14.70
Gorporation tax P. S. ..... 798.73
Corporation tax, business ..... 3,998.40
Income tax ..... 12,000.00
Income tax, educational ..... 3,610.00
National Bank tax ..... 110.25
Trust Company tax ..... 131.37
Military aid ..... 15.00
State aid ..... 246.00
Veterans exemption ..... 25.46
Corporation tax P. S., 1929 ..... 24
Gorporation tax P. S., 1930 ..... 14.87
Corporation tax, business ..... 624.16
Highway department ..... 797.29
Highway department ..... $1,500.00$
Highway department ..... 370.00
Highway department ..... 1,000.00
Highway department ..... 1,086.04
Highway department ..... $1,600.00$
Highway department ..... 1,130.00
Highway department ..... 2,313.96
Highway department ..... $4,300.00$
Gounty treasurer:
538.19
Dog tax
628.63
Highway department
168.66
168.66
Highway department
Highway department ..... 370.00
Highway department ..... 1,000.00
Highway department ..... 1,086.04
Highway department ..... 1,130.00
Highway department ..... 2,313.96
Highway department ..... 1,600.00
Miscellaneous receipts:
H. F. Tuttle, cemetery lots ..... 45.00
F. W. Greene, cemetery lots ..... 20.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures ..... 57.57
Boston \& Maine Railroad, use of roller ..... 36.00
Director of Standards ..... 8.00
Insurance, rebate on roller ..... 6.75
Fanny Polep, tax acct. ..... 546.12
H. C. Holland, adv. ..... 2.20
Boston \& Maine Railroad, grass fires ..... 122.55
J. E. Starbuck, old watering trough ..... 10.00
Geo. W. Daniels Estate ..... 44.30
F. Stewart \& Son, use of roller ..... 10.00
F. W. Green, loam sold ..... 31.50
F. W. Green, rent of lowering device ..... 36.00
Town of Concord, Nagog tax acct. ..... 25.12
First National Bank, Ayer, loan ..... 25,000.00
Nurses collections ..... 236.50
Library, fines ..... 70.75
Bank interest, Ayer ..... 235.67
Court fines (Middlesex Central) ..... 533.50
First National Bank, Ayer, loan ..... 20,000.00
Hall rent ..... 189.00
School tuition, Boxboro ..... 2.516.19
School tuition, Framingham ..... 141.75
School tuition, Hamilton ..... 12.21
Licenses for pasturizing milk ..... 20.00
Alcohol licenses ..... 12.00
Licenses, Selectmen ..... 42.00
John W. Healy fund, transfer ..... 233.70
Cemetery account, transfèr ..... 1,403.75
Cemetery surplus account, transfer ..... 83.50
Library account, transfer ..... 588.80
19th of April account, transfer ..... 119.95
L. Blanchard fund, transfer ..... 30.50
First National Bank, Ayer, loan ..... $25,000.00$
Edison Electric Ill. Co., rebate ..... 19.38
Received of Chas. A. Durkee. collector:
1928 taxes ..... $\$ 15,451.58$
1929 taxes ..... 16,996.72
1930 taxes ..... 53,251.20
1929 Excise taxes ..... 2,024.67
1930 Excise taxes ..... 5,468.54
Bank interest ..... 162.50
1927 interest ..... 5.95
\$93,361.16
Total ..... $\$ 237,758.57$
Paid selectmen's orders ..... $219,866.34$
Balance on hand ..... \$17,892.23
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Outstanding Notes and Bonds
Note No. 100, Lowell road, due July, 1931 ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Note No. 105, Fire House, due October, 1931 ..... 700.00
Noté No. 109, Lowell road, due Nov., 1931 ..... 700.00
Note, Anticipation revenue, due Dec., 1931 ..... 25,000.00
High School bonds, due 1931 ..... 5,000.00
High School bonds, due 1932 to 1945 ..... 40,000.00
Elizabeth White Fund
Principal fund ..... $\$ 25,000.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 3,033.88
Received interest:
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 100.00
Athol Savings bank ..... 95.20
Amherst Savings bank ..... 100.00
Andover Savings bank ..... 100.00
Marlboro Savings bank ..... 100.00
Waltham Savings bank ..... 100.00
Worcester Five Cent Savings ..... 100.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 100.00
Middlesex Savings bank ..... 100.00
Lowell Inst. Savings ..... 90.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 100.00
Lawrence Savings bank ..... 95.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 50.00
Athol Savings, accumulated interest ..... 8.33
Trustees order No. 85, returned ..... 75.00
Trustees order No. 90, part returned ..... 140.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 109.29
Paid trustees orders ..... $\$ 1,250.00$
Cash Athol Savings bank ..... 2,000.00
Andover Savings bank ..... 2,000.00
North Middlesex Savings ..... 2,000.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 2,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
Lawrence Savings ..... 2,000.00
Middlesex Inst. Savings ..... 2,000.00
Amherst Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 2,000.00
Lowell Inst. for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 1,000.00
Hudson Savings, income ..... 1,000.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings, income ..... 2,346.70$\$ 29,596.70$
FRANK W. HOIT,Treasurer.
Cemetery Funds
Principal funds ..... $\$ 33,641.65$
Unexpended balance ..... 4,140.50
\$37,782.15
Transferred to Luke Blanchard fund ..... \$1,325.81
$\$ 36,456.34$
Received for perpetual care:
Jonathan P. Fletcher lot ..... $\$ 100.00$
Adelbert Mead lot ..... 200.00
L. U. Holt lot ..... 100.00
William S. Jones lot ..... 100.00
Moses Taylor lot ..... 150.00
Glarence N. Goward lot ..... 100.00
John Sherman Hoar lot ..... 100.00
Edwin M. Wheeler lot ..... 100.00
William F. Hale lot ..... 100.00
Abram H. Jones lot ..... 100.00
Thomas J. Owen lot ..... 50.00
Asaph Merriam lot ..... 100.00
Agnes J. Nagle lot ..... 100.00
George W. Holbrook lot ..... 100.00
Tena Bassett Merrill lot ..... 100.00
Income from interest on:
Water bonds ..... $\$ 174.00$
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 109.17
Home Savings bank ..... 50.00
East Cambridge ..... 100.00
Boston Five Cent ..... 95.00
Suffolk Savings ..... 135.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 100.00
Worcester Five Gent ..... 75.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 50.00
Gharlestown Five Gent ..... 75.00
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 75.00
Charlestown Five Cient ..... 12.50
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 15.00
Athol Savings ..... 18.19
No. Middlesex Savings ..... 103.26
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 163.25
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 144.36
Central Savings, Lowell ..... 45.50
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 221.64
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 36.30
$\$ 1,798.17$
Transferred to surplus acct. ..... $\$ 276.37$
$\$ 1,521.80$
$\$ 39.578 .14$
Paid cash:
Town of Acton, care of lotsLowell Gentral Savings1,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 2,875.00
No. Middlesex Institution ..... 2,200.00
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 3,228.96
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 728.25
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 2,200.00
East Cambridge Savings ..... 2,000.00
Marlboro Savings ..... 1,000.00
Boston Five Cent Savings ..... 2,000.00
Worcester North Savings ..... 2,000.00
Home Savings bank ..... 1,000.00
Worcester Five Gent Savings ..... 1,500.00
Suffolk Savings ..... 3,000.00
Athol Savings ..... 1,050.00
W \& S. Water District bonds ..... 4,200.00
Hudson Savings ..... 450.00
Charlestown Five Gent Savings ..... $1,500.00$
Gharlestown Five Cent Savings 1,500.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 300.00
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 250.00
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 4,192.18
$\$ 39,578.14$
Cemetery Surplus Account
Principal fund ..... $\$ 667.29$
Assabet Inst. for Savings, interest ..... 32.79
Transferred from cemetery account ..... 276.37
$\$ 976.45$
Paid:
Town of Acton ..... $\$ 83.50$
Cash:
Assabet Inst. for Savings ..... 892.95
$\$ 976.45$
Luke Blanchard Cemetery Fund
Principal ..... $\$ 1,325.81$
Received:
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 2.93
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 1.97
Mass. Savings bank ..... 39.68
Charlestown Five Gent ..... 11.53
Charlestown Five Cent ..... 5.17
$\$ 1,387.09$
Paid:
Town of Acton, care of lots ..... $\$ 30.50$
Cash:
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 82.90
Mass. Savings bank ..... 975.6 '
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 214.89
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 83.16
$\$ 1,387.09$
FRANK W. HOTT.
Treasurer.
Nineteenth of April Fund
Principal fund ..... $\$ 322.14$
Middlesex Inst. for Savings, interest ..... 16.30
$\$ 338.4$ 4
Paid:
Town of Acton ..... $\$ 119.95$
Cash:
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 218.49
Fireman's Relief Fund
Principal fund ..... $\$ 454.56$
Middlesex Inst. for Savings, interest ..... 22.98
$\$ 477.54$
Cash Middlesex Inst. for Savings$\$ 477.54$
FRANK W. HOIT,
Treasurer.
Wilde Memorial Library Fund
Principal fund ..... $\$ 9,000.00$
Susan Augusta \& Luther Conant fund ..... 1,000.00
Hiram J. Hapgood fund ..... 200.00
Luke Tuttle fund ..... 200.00
John W. Heald fund ..... 1,050.70
Unexpended balance ..... 158.36
Received interest:
Home Savings bank ..... $\$ 50.00$
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 50.63
Lowell City Inst. for Savings ..... 45.50
Charlestown Five Cent Savings ..... 151.88
Mass. Savings bank ..... 48.06
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 101.25
Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Heald fund ..... 40.78
West Shore Railroad bond ..... 40.00
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 28.13
Paid:
Town of Acton, Heald fund ..... $\$ 233.70$
Town of Acton, Book account ..... 588.80Cash:
Home Savings bank ..... 1,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings ..... 1,000.00
Lowell City Inst. for Savings ..... 1,000.00
Charlestown Five Gent Savings ..... 3,000.00
Mass. Savingș bank ..... 1,000.00
Warren Inst. for Savings ..... 2,000.00
Middlesex Inst. for Savings, Heald fund ..... 817.00
West Shore Railroad bond ..... 1,000.00
Maynard Trust Co. ..... 400.00
Maynard Trust Co., balance ..... 125.79

## GOODNOW FUND

## For the Year Ending Dececmber 31, 1930

## INVESTMENTS

Warren Insitution for Savings ..... \$1,409.20
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ..... 1,000.00
Gity Institution for Savings, Lowell ..... 1,000.00$\$ 1,409.20$
REGEIPTS
Warren Institution for Savings ..... $\$ 69.80$
Charlestown Five Cents Savings bank ..... 50.00
City Institution for Savings ..... 45.00$\$ 164.80$
PAYMENTS
Ella L. Miller, treasurer of the Evangelical church in Acton ..... $\$ 125.00$
Fred W. Green, care of Goodnow lot, Wood-lawn cemetery . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10.00
Added to savings deposit ..... 29.80\$164.80
GHARLOTTE GONANT, GHARLES E. SMITH, HORACE F. TUTTLE, Trustees of Goodnow Fund.
ELIZABETH WHITE FUND

The trustees have signed orders to the treasurer for twelve hundred and fifty dollars ( $\$ 1,250.00$ ) for the year ending December 31, 1930.

These orders have been given after investigating and finding each person to be needy and worthy of help from this trust fund.

> Respectfully submitted, WARREN H. JONES, WILLIAM H. KINGSLEY, WALDO E. WHITGOMB,

Trustees of the Elizabeth White Fund.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

| Buildings, exclusive of lan | ,439,500.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Land | 721,045.00 |
| Personal | 568,860.00 |
|  | \$3,729,405.00 |
| Valuation, April 1, 1930 | . \$3,590,316.00 |
| Increase in valuation | \$139,089.00 |
|  |  |

Tax assessed as follows:
Real estate ..... $\$ 70,796.20$
Personal estate ..... 12,742.50
Polls ..... 1,666.00
Amount of money raised:
State tax ..... $\$ 3,500.00$
State highway tax ..... 1,573. 20
Snow removal tax ..... 388.33
Gounty tax ..... 5,283. 64
Gounty tuberculosis tax ..... 340.86
Town grant ..... 71,664.50
Overlay ..... 2,454.17
December assessment:Land$\$ 550.00$
$\$ 550.00$
Tax assessed as follows:Real estate$\$ 12.32$
Polls ..... 28.00
$\$ 40.32$
Number of motor vehicles assessed, 1,127.
Total valuation of motor vehicles $\$ 380,100.00$ Rate of taxation, \$29.12.
Total tax assessed ..... \$8,512. 34

## SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
I herewith submith my report of work done in your town last year, outside of the ordinary maintenance, such as scraping, dragging, surface repairs and packing.

Work done other than general maintenance:
Surface treatment of 45 percent asphaltic oil applied on the following streets: Arlington, Central, Chadwick, Davis road, Davis terrace, Brooks, Liberty, Main, Martin, Maple, Pope, Prospect, Quimby, School (S. A.), School (W. A., Stow, Strawberry Hill, Willow, High, Hosmer, Wright terrace, Nagog Hill road, Maple avenue, Woodbury lane, Taylor, Harris, Church, Winsor avenue, Sudbury road, Esterbrook road.

Surface treatment with tarvia B, Concord road, Mass. avenue, Pearl street, Winsor avenue, Central street, School street (S. A.)

Surface treatment with 85 percent asphaltic: Central street.

Other work done:
High street-1375 feet gravel.
Sudbury road-550 feet gravel.
Concord street-990 feet gravel.
Parker street-1250 feet gravel.
Wetherbee street-350 feet gravel.
Pope road- 1400 feet gravel.
Strawberry Hill-400 feet gravel.
Esterbrook road-500 feet gravel.
Davis road- 500 feet gravel.
Carlisle road- 1100 feet gravel.
Harris street-800 feet gravel.
Maple avenue-400 feet gravel.
Taylor street-1400 feet gravel.
Martin street-300 feet gravel.
Nashoba road- 800 feet gravel.
Charter road- 350 feet gravel.
Elm street-100 feet gravel.
Prospect street-400 feet gravel.
Winsor avenue-600 feet gravel.
Fort Pond road-200 feet gravel.
Respectfully submitted, A. H. PERKINS, Superintendent of Streets.

# REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH 

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1930

Burial permits issued in Acton ..... 32
Burial permits of non-residents ..... 16
Burial permits of residents who died in other towns ..... 9

List of contagious diseases reported by Board of Health January 1, 1930, to January 1, 1931 :
Measles ..... 7
Chicken pox ..... 4
Tuberculosis ..... 112
Deaths ..... None

Your board would recommend that $\$ 1,000.00$ be appropriated for the use of the board for the present year.
AGTON BOARD OF HEALTH.
G. A. DURKEE, Agent.

## HEALTH NURSE

To the Board of Health:
Fees collected ..... $\$ 236.50$
Number of Metropolitan cases ..... 208
Number of John Hancock calls ..... 21
Number of town calls ..... 165
Number of non-pay calls ..... 240
Number of Child Welfare calls ..... 400
Number of Social Service calls ..... 320

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:Gentlemen-I herewith submit my report of arrestsmade for the year ending December 31, 1930:
Drunkenness ..... 14
Drunkenness and operating under the influence of liquor ..... 2
Accessory to abortion ..... 1
Non-support ..... 1
Respectfully submitted, MICHAEL FOLEY, Mhief of Police.
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton:I herewith submit my report as inspector of animals forthe year 1930:
Cows ..... 438
Young cattle ..... 152
Swine ..... 377
Sheep ..... 16
Goats ..... 7
Bulls ..... 18

Quarantined six cows for tuberculosis. Quarantined seven dogs under suspicion for rabies.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Respectfully submitted, } \\
& \text { FRED S. WHITGOMB, } \\
& \text { Inspector. }
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## INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acton:
I herewith submit my report for the year 1930:
Inspected:

| Cattle |  | 4 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hogs |  | 7 |
| Sheep |  | 13 |
| Veals |  | 52 |
|  | Respectfully submitted, JAMES KINSLEY, | Inspector. |

## EXTENSION SERVICE

The following is a report of the work of the Middlesex Gounty Extension Service as developed in the town of Acton for the year 1930.

In agriculture, a large number of requests were received for help with individual problems, 68 of these visits being made. Assistance has been given the County Poultry Association which has held its meetings in the town of Acton. Judges were furnished the Acton fair and the assistance of the agents given wherever desired. A spray equipment demonstration meeting was held at the farm of Ralph Piper and attended by a large number of local people.

Four groups of homemakers represented Acton in Extension Service work during the year. Eighty different women were enrolled in the study of the greater use of regetables and finished the project 100 percent. These women in turn passed on the information to 371 homemakers who were unable to attend the meetings. Mrs. Stuart Allen, Mrs. Eugene Hall, Mrs. Charles Edney and Mrs. E. H. Hallowell assisted greatly in the development of these projects. A large number of local women were also interested in the improvment of home grounds and several meetings were held in this project. A specialist from the Massachusetts Agricultural College assisted in a community project in West Acton. A small group of homemakers from Acton attended a series of meetings in child guidance held in the town of Westford.

In Boys' and Girls' 4 - H club work 52 were enrolled in garden, clothing, poultry, handicraft and food clubs. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edney, Mrs. R. P. Stoney and Miss Edith Taylor served as local leaders. Wallace Sims was awarded first prize in the Middlesex North Agricultural Society garden contest and also received second prize in the countywide contest. James Edney won prizes in poultry judging at the Boston Poultry Show. Joseph Perry, Dorothy Coombs, Mary Ward and Alfred Gilbert were awarded a Two Day Trip to the Massachusetts Agricultural College for doing outstanding club work. Local boys and girls attended the Bedford rally of 4-H club members and "The Square Workers Handicraft Club" won three of the six special ribbons awarded. The junior department of the Acton Fair was assisted in a general way and the boys and girls made this one of the largest exhibits ever held at the fair.

Seven educational motion picture shows were given to a total attendance of 908 .

A campaign to eradicate rats from farm and home buildings was carried on on a countr-wide basis and a great many of the poison baits were distributed in Acton.

Many local people took part in the several county-wide meetings held during the year, such as the county picnic at Wayside Inn, Sudbury, and the Homemakers' Day at Lexington.

There will be no appropriation this year for the support of the Middlesex County Extension Service because the County Commissions have signified their willingness to support the work.

HARLAN E. TUTTLE, Director.

## BY-LAWS

The following articles are intended as additional articles to the Town of Acton by-laws, under the head of Fire Department (Section 5.)

Article 4. Any person driving or operating, or in charge of a vehicle, upon the highway, shall, when being approached or about to be overtaken by fire apparatus while responding to an alarm of fire, shall slow down and bear to the extremen right-hand side of the highway, that such apparatus may have ample room to pass.

Article 5. No person operating a motor vehicle shall follow within 200 feet of any piece of fire apparatus. while responding to or returning from a fire.

Article 6. No person operating or in charge of a vehicle, shall stop, park or let stand such vehicle upon the highway within 300 feet from a fire. whether the fire department has arrived or not.

Article 7. No member of the fire department shall be exempted from observing the above articles, 4,5 and 6 .

Article 8. The forest warden shall have charge and general supervision over all socalled "forest fire" equipment owned by the town.

Article 9. No piece of fire apparatus shall answer a call for aid from out-of-town without the consent of a member of the Board of Selectmen, the chief of the fire department
or one of the precinct engineers. After the consent of any one of the above mentioned officers has been granted, not more than one piece of apparatus shall respond.

Article 10. Article 9 shall not apply to the forest-fire fighting equipment in which case the forest warden, or one of his deputies, shall give consent to respond to a call for aid out of town.

Article 11. Any town calling for and receiving aid from the Acton fire department, shall not be charged with any expense for same, providing the town calling for aid has fire apparatus of equal efficiency, the aid of which they may return.

Article 12. Any town that does not have an organized fire department and who do not own efficient fire apparatus, who asks for and receives aid from the Acton Fire Department, shall be presented with a bill that is just and fair for services rendered, such bill to be made out by the chief of the fire department and approved by the selectmen.

Article 13. No piece of fire apparatus shall answer a call for aid from out-of-town, unless the call comes personally from some officer who shall have authority to ask for such aid. Neither shall the fire department answer a call for aid from any town that has not paid a bill for aid previously given, they having had at least six months time in which to do so.

Article 14. The selectmen shall annually appoint some person whom they may consider as qualified, to carry out the requests and recommendations as are embodied in the Governor's Proclamation during the annual "Fire Prevention Week." His duties shall be, to visit each school, to talk to and instruct the children in the value of "Fire Prevention." He also shall call a meeting for adults in each precinct of the town. All expenses connected with his duties shall be paid by the town, but shall not exceed the sum of $(\$ 10)$ ten dollars for the week.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Accessions: Number of volumes in library January 1, 1930, 18,619. Increase by purchase, 366. Increase by gift, 76. Total increase, 442.

Number of volumes in library January 1, 1931, 19,061.
Circulation: Number of days the library was open, 102.
Number of volumes circulated, 12,210.
Largest daily circulation, 211, on January 1.
Smallest daily circulation, 59, on December 24.
Daily arerage circulation, 119+.

| Received from library fines and magazines sold | \$72. 21 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Expended for postage | 1.46 |
| Paid to Town Treasurer | \$70.75 |

Gifts of books have been received from the following sources: U. S. Government, 2; State of Massachusetts, 10 ; Governor Frank G. Allen, 1; Massachusetts Tercentenary Committee, 3; State of Rhode Island, 1; Government of South Africa, 1; N. G. Fellowship, Austrilia, 1; United Fruit Company, 1; Murray Brown, 4 ; John Condon, 1 ; Mary S. Dunn, 1 ; Wm. Edmonds, 1 ; E. C. Farnell, 1 ; Mrs. Franklin Griffin, 13 ; L. H. Hallock, 1 ; Mildred Pope Moore, 9 ; Emile Noterman, 1 ; Frank Parsons, 1 ; Benjamin Pope 17 ; Geo. A. Richardson, 3 ; Edith N. Rogers, 1; E. H. H. Simmons, 2. Total. 76.

## NON-FIGTION


Barry, W.-History of Framingham, Mass., 1640-1847 974.5B281h
Beard, G. A. and M. R.-The rise of American civilization

973B368r
Bell, N. S. (compiler)-Pathways of the Puritans
917.3B434p

Belloc, H.-Richelieur 925R528b
Bennett, G. A.-History of manual and industrial education up to 1870

37B471h
Beston, H.-The outermost house 917.3B561o
Bewick, T.-Memoir of Thomas Bewick, written by himself

924B572b
Bowers; C. G.-The tragic era
973.8B786t

Breul, K.-Gassells New German dictionary $43 B 846 \mathrm{c}$
Brown, H. G.-Grandmother Brown's hundred years

922B8792b
Burnham, F. R.-Scouting on two continents 922B966b
Burr, G. L. (Ed) - Narratives of the witcheraft cases, 1648-1706
973.2B968n

Byrd, R. E.-Little America
919.9B9951

Cherrie, G. K.-Dark trails 918G521d
Clark, G.- The church of Saint Bunco 28G593c
Crowther, S.-The romance of the American tropics
917.28G953r

Davis, M. L.—Alaska the great bear cub 917.3D2631a
Davis, M. L.-Uncle Sam's attic
917.3D2631u

Davis, W. S.-Life in Elizabethian days 942D2651
Davies, W. W.-A wayfarer in Wales
914.2 D 257 w

Dickinson, E.-Further poems 81D553f
Dow, G. F.-The arts and crafts in New England 1704-1775

70D744a
Downes, W. H.-John Sargent, his life and work 922S245d
Duffy, H. S.-William Howard Taft 922T124du
Dunn, E. A.-Mediterranean picture lands 914D923m
Eaton, W. P.-New England vista 81E14n
Edib, H.-Turkey faces west
956E23t
Ellis, A.-Life of an ordinary woman 922E472e
Emerson, W. A.-Fitchburg past and present 974.5 E 53 f

Fairchild, D.-Exploring for plants 910 F 165 e
Field, R.-Points east
Forbush, E. H.-Birds of Massachusetts and other New England States. Part 3 81F455p

59F696b
Green, S. A.-Groton during the Revolution 974.5 G 798 g
Green, S. A.-The natural history and topography of Groton, Mass., and other town history
974.5G798n

Grey, Z.-The last of the plainsmen
917.3G842la

Halliburton, R.-New worlds to conquer
Hallock, L. H.-A Hallock genealogy 918H188n 921H192h
Harrington, M. P. and Thomas, J. H.-Our holidays in poetry

81H311o
Hart, B. H. L.-The real war 1914-1918 940H3251r
Hart, B. H. L.-Sherman-soldier-realistAmerican

922S552h
Hennings, E. G. and R. B.-Bible talks for heart and mind

22H517b
Hermans, M. C.-Studies in grammar
42 H 551 s
Hibben, P.-Henry Ward Beecher
922B414h
Homans, G. G. and Morison, S. E.-Massachusetts on the sea, 1630-1930 $\quad 974.5 \mathrm{H} 763 \mathrm{~m}$
Hudson, A. S.-The history of Concord, Mass. Vol. 1-Colonial Concord 974.5 H 885 h
Hudson, G.-History of the town of Lexington, Middlesex County, Mass., with genealogical register
974.5H883hi

Hudson, C.-History of Marlborough, Mass., with sketch of Northborough 974.5 H 883 h
Jameson. J. F. (Ed.) -Johnson's wonder Working Providence
973.2J31j

Jameson. J. F.-Privateering and piracy in the Colonial period
973.2J31p

Jeans, J.-The universe around us 52J43u
Lamkin, N. B.-Good times for all times 79L233g
Laurie, A. P.-The painter's methods and material

75L385p
Lawrence, T. E.-Revolt in the desert 940L423r
Lincoln, G. H. (Ed.) -Narratives of the Indian wars, 1675-1699
973.2L736n

Love, P. H.-Andrew W. Mellon, the man and his work

922M5271
Lyman, G. D.-John Marsh pioneer
922M3651
Mackenzie, G.-Alexander Graham Bell
922B433m
Marshall, J.-Vagabond de luxe 910 M 368 v
Masson. R. - The life of Robert Louis Stevenson 924S848m
Mead, M.-Growing up in New Guinea
37.M479g

Mitchell, B. W.-Trail life in the Canadian Rockies
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## FOREST WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Gentlemen:-Your Forest Warden submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1930:

We have just passed through one of the worst "fire hazard" years in the history of the forestry department, and we are happy to say, Acton has been one of the most fortunate towns in the State.

We have answered forty-eight (48) calls for grass, brush; four forest fires. The cost of extinguishing these fires was around five hundred dollars ( $\$ 500$ ). The property damage on these fires was very small, with one exception, owing to the prompt and cheerful response by all fire companies for which I take this opportunity to thank them.

The new forest fire apparatus has been tried out on a few fires and proven very satisfactory and we feel that in the future it will aid materially in cutting down the cost of extinguishing all fires.

I wish to recommend the purchase of one thousand (1000) feet more hose for the forest fire truck, as the 2,000 feet we now have is insufficient in a few places.

In view of the new law, Chapter 309, Acts of 1930, compelling towns to patrol their forested area during extreme drought on order of the State Forester, I wish to recommend that an appropriation be made to cover this contingency.

Respectfully submitted,

ALAN B. FROST,<br>Forest Warden.

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| 132. Tuttle, Jedediah | 50.00 | 53.25 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 53.25 |
| 133. Tuttle, Julian | 100.00 | 109.50 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 110.00 |
| 134. Tuttle, Luke | 100.00 | 106.48 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 106.98 |
| 135. Tuttle, Varnum and Francis | 250.00 | 274.44 | 11.25 | 10.00 | 275.69 |
| 136. Tuttle, William D. | 100.00 | 112.30 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 112.80 |
| 137. Watson, Clark, Tuttle, Whitney | 1,500.00 | 1,687.50 | 67.50 | 35.00 | 1,720.00 |
| 138. Wayne, Robert ............... | 75.00 | 80.87 | 3.37 | 4.00 | 80.24 |
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| 154. Woodbury, Rev. James T. | 100.00 | 130.76 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 130.76 |
| ${ }^{7} 55$. Wright, Rebbecca C. | 100.00 | 108.75 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 109.25 |
| 156. Owen, Thomas J. | 50.00 |  | . 75 |  | 50.75 |
| 157. Merrill, Tena Bassett | 100.00 |  |  |  | 100.00 |
| 158. Nagle, Agnes J. | 100.00 | .... | 1.50 | ... | 101.50 |
|  | \$19,500.00 | \$20,827.43 | \$859.46 | \$765.00 | \$21,721.89 |

NORTH ACTON CEMETERY

| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{aligned} & \text { On hand } \\ & \text { Jan. 1, } 1930 \end{aligned}$ | Income | Expended | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Dec. } 31,1930 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Anderson, Henrietta | \$50.00 | \$ 55.04 | \$2.25 | \$2.00 | \$ 55.29 |
| 2. | Blood, Jerusha; Wiley and Temple, | 200.00 | 266.80 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 266.80 |
| 3. | Hapgood, Mary | 50.00 | 55.77 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 56.02 |
| 4. | Hutchinson, Francis | 50.00 | 60.04 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 60.29 |
| 5. | Temple, Samuel ................. | 50.00 | 58.79 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 59.04 |
|  |  | \$400.00 | \$496.44 | \$18.00 | 17.00 | \$497.44 |

Luke Blanchard Fund accepted by special vote of the town, March 29, 1909 :

| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Jan. } 1,1930 \end{gathered}$ | Income | Expended | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Dec. } 31,1930 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$500.00 | 203.36 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 100.00 | \$966.46 | \$. | \$30.50 | \$. |
|  |  | 100.00 | 155.99 |  |  |  |
|  |  | \$700.00 | \$1,325.81 | \$61.28 | \$30.50 | \$1,356.59 |


| No. | Name of Fund | Deposit | $\begin{gathered} \text { On hand } \\ \text { Jan. 1, } 1930 \end{gathered}$ | Income | Expended | On hand Dec. 31, 1930 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Adams, James L. | \$ 75.00 | \$78.90 | \$3.37 | \$3.25 | \$ 79.02 |
| 2. | Ames, W. C. . . | 100.00 | 101.25 | 4.50 | 3.75 | 102.00 |
| 3. | Babcock, C. C. | 100.00 | 104.00 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 104.50 |
| 4. | Bean, Alcander P. | 100.00 | 111.58 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 112.08 |
| 5. | Blanchard, John | 100.00 | 118.83 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 118.33 |
| 6. | Brown, Albert | 100.00 | 108.00 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 108.00 |
| 7. | Brown, Bessie E. | 100.00 | 115.91 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 115.91 |
| 8. | Brown, Harriet D., John Porter Priest, and Lucien J. Priest . . . | 275.00 | 305.95 | 12.37 | 16.00 | 302.32 |
| 9. | Brown, William and Clarence | 100.00 | 100.50 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 101.00 |
| 10. | Burbeck, Lucy A. (Wetherbee) | 100.00 | 117.73 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 117.73 |
| 11. | Burr, William .............. | 100.00 | 105.25 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 105.25 |
| 12. | Burroughs, Samuel R. | 100.00 | 101.25 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 101.75 |
| 13. | Bush, H. Louis (See Johnson, Emerline $A$. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14. | Chandler, Joseph E. | 150.00 | 158.83 | 6.75 | 6.50 | 159.08 |
| 15. | Chaplin, William, Sr. | 100.00 | 105.78 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 106.28 |
|  | Chaplin, William, Jr. | 200.00 | 217.81 | 9.00 | 10.00 | 216.81 |
|  | Chaplin, William, G. A. R. | 212.70 | 231.62 | 9.57 | 11.00 | 230.19 |
|  | Clark, H. T. . . | 100.00 | 103.87 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 103.87 |
| 19. | Charles, Will A. | 75.00 | 81.15 | 3.37 | 4.00 | 80.52 |
| 20. | Coburn, J. D. | 100.00 | 106.62 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 106.62 |
|  | Crampton, George | 100.00 | 117.15 | 4.50 | 5.00 | 116.65 |
| 22. | Cutler, David | 100.00 | 106.87 | 4.50 | 4.00 | 107.37 |
|  | Cutler, William A. and Bradley Stone | 100.00 | 101.08 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 101.08 |

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|  | Holden, Walter 0. |
| :---: | :---: |
| 53. | Hosmer, Caroline A. |
| 54. | Hosmer, Ella F. and Lucius S. |
| 55. | Hosmer, Henry F. |
| 56. | Hosmer, Mary P. |
| 57. | Hosmer, Simon (See Warren and <br> A. Louise) |
| 58. | Houghton, John R. |
| 59. | Hutchins, Sarah A. |
| 60. | Johnson, Emerline A., F. F. Flint <br> H. Louis Bush |
| 61 | Jones, Francis |
| 62. | Kelley, William S. |
| 63. | Keyes, George F. |
| 64. | Keyes, Marcus M. |
| 65. | Knapp, Francis W. |
| 66. | Knowlton, A. |
| 67. | Knowlton, G. W. |
| 68. | Law, William and Mary |
| 69. | Littlefield, Nahum |
| 70. | Littlefield, Waldo |
| 71. | Mason, William T. |
| 72. | McGreen, James |
| 73. | Mead, Adelbert |
| 74. | Mead, George V. |
| 75. | Mead, Hobart E. |
| 76 | Mead, Louis Guy |
| 77. | Mead, Lyman and Frank Priest |
| $78 .$ | Mead, Oliver |



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| 132 | Wright, George C. (Davis Memo- <br> rial) | 50.00 | 95.80 | 2.25 | 2.00 | 96.05 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 133. | Wright, George S. | 200.00 | 219.65 | 9.00 | 9.00 | 219.65 |
| i34. | Wright, Joel | 100.00 | 119.90 | 4.50 | 4.50 | 119.90 |
| 135. | Wright, Marshall E. | 75.00 | 77.23 | 3.37 | 3.00 | 77.60 |
| 136. | Mead, Adelbert F. | 200.00 |  | 7.50 | 6.00 | 201.50 |
| 137. | Holt, L. U. | 100.00 |  | 3.75 | 3.50 | 100.25 |
| 138. | Jones, William S. | 100.00 |  | 3.75 | 2.50 | 101.25 |
| 139. | Hoar, John Sherman | 100.00 |  | 2.25 | 2.25 | 100.00 |
| 140. | Wheeler, Edwin M. | 100.00 |  | 2.25 | 2.25 | 100.00 |
| 141. | Holbrook, George W. | 100.00 |  |  |  | 100.00 |
| 142. | Hale, W. F. . . . . . . . . . | 100.00 | . | 2.25 | 2.00 | 100.25 |
|  |  | \$14,637.70 | \$15,052.51 | \$644.34 | \$621.75 | \$15,875.10 |

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

1927
Dr.


1928
Dr.
Uncollected January 1, 1930 ............... . \$14,295.82
Interest collected
1,563.78
Paid treasurer \$15,451.58
Abaṭed ..... 408.02

Abaṭed

408.02
$1929 \quad \$ 15,859.60$

Dr.
Uncollected January 1, 1930 . .............. . $\$ 31,767.12$
Interest collected
679.18

Cr.
$\$ 32,446.30$
Paid treasurer . . ......................... $\$ 16,996.72$
Uncollected January 1, 1931
15,449.58
$\$ 32,446.30$
1930
Dr.
Committed . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 85,245.02$
Interest collected
25.94

Cr.
Paid treasurer . ............................ $\$ 53,251.20$
Abated
78.22

Uncollected January 1, 1931 ............... $31,941.54$
$\$ 85,270.96$

## 1929 EXCISE <br> Dr.

Uncollected January 1, 1930 ............. $\$ 2,396.57$
Interest collected
76.05

Cr.


CHARLES A. DURKEE, Tax Collector.

## SUMMARY OF TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

 total Debits| 1927 town tax | \$5.95 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1928 town tax | 15,859.60 |
| 1929 town tax | 32,446.30 |
| 1930 town tax | 85,270.96 |
| 1929 excise tax | 2,472.62 |
| 1930 excise tax | 8,519.72 |

\$144,575.15
Bank account interest .......................
162.50
\$144,737.65

## TOTAL CREDITS

Cash paid treasurer . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 93,361.16$
Abatements . .......................... 843.98
Abatements
Uncollected
50,532.51
\$144,737.65.
C. A. DURKEE,

Tax Collector.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee on Finance makes the following recommendations relating to appropriations:
Roads, general maintenance . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 12,000.00$
Schools . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 45,000.00
Street Lighting . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $5,400.00$
Memorial library . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,000.00
Books . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 200.00
Hydrant service . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 3,029.00
General government. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 5,000.00
Building and grounds 800.00

Cemeteries . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,200.00
Military aid 200.00

State aid 360.00

Soldiers' relief . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 600.00
Police department 1,500.00
Board of Health . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $1,000.00$
Public welfare . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,000.00
Old age pension . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1,000.00
Snow removal
Care of shade trees . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Reserve fund from surplus overlay ....... . 1,200.00
Unclassified 500.00

Bonds (High school and others) . . . . . . . . . . 8, 400.00
Interest on bonds and notes . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,000.00
Interest on revenue loans . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2,000.00
$\$ 94,889.00$
Art. 5. Memorial Day . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 300.00
Art. 7: Fire department, maintenance, new hose

2,500.00
Art. 8. Forest fires . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Art. 9. Gypsy moth work . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Art. 10. Liability insurance . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Art. 11. Treasurer and collector bonds .... 270.00
Art. 13. Public health nurse . . . . . . . . . . . 2,200.00
Art. 14. Demonstration work, agriculture. . 50.00
Art. 15. Quimby Square, not recommended
Art. 16. Nagog Hill road, general maintenance
Art. 18. Town hall, insurance, not opposed, but no data given
Art. 19. Fire whistle, 1932 action recommended
Art. 23. Library vault . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 500.00
Art. 24. Gas range and heater . . . . . . . . . 300.00


Plus snow removal

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Precinct 1-Murray Brown, George A. Richardson.
Precinct 2-Frank W. Hoit, William Rawitser. Precinct 3-Webster S. Blanchard, Alfred W. Davis.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
I herewith submit my report for the fire department.
The number of calls answered by the different companies are as follows:

|  | Buildings | Grass | Autos | Chimneys | Others |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Center | 5 | 14 | - | 2 | 1 |
| West | 7 | 36 | 5 | 7 | 2 |
| South | 6 | 30 | 3 | 3 | 4 |

The new compressed air alarm at South Acton is working nicely. Test blows are given at $8 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. and $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

Repairs are needed on the West fire house. An alarm system should be installed at the Center, in the near future.

Would recommend $\$ 2,000.00$ for general maintenance, and $\$ 500.00$ for new hose.

FRANK W. HOIT,
Chief Engineer.

## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Acton, MassaI herewith submit my report for the year 1930:

## Expenditures

## GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Appropriation . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 5,000.00$

## SELEGTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

## Paid:

Wendell F. Davis, salary . . . . . $\$ 200.00$
Howard J. Billings, salary . . . . . . 100.00

- Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary . . . . 100.00

Howard J. Billings, postage..... 7.00
Glenna Jones, clerk. . . . . . . . . . 37.70
R. S. Osterhout, town reports. . . 475.00

Howard J. Billings, book. . . . . 1.05
Wright \& Poter Printing Co.
license blanks ...........
Murphy \& Snyder, blanks...... 5.75
Hobbs \& Warren, carbon. . . . . . 4.14
Laffins' Express . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 1.25
Enterprise Press, adv........... 4.88
$\$ 939.91$
AGGOUNTING DEPARTMENT
Howard L. Jones, salary . . . . . $\$ 400.00$
Howard L. Jones, postage . . . . . 10.00
Thorp \& Martin, supplies . . . . . . 4.75
Service Stationery \& Printing Co. 7.90
Murphy \& Snyder, vouchers . . . . 12.75
$\$ 435.40$

## TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Frank W. Hoit, salary . . . . . . . $\$ 500.00$
Frank W. Hoit, certifying notes.. 6.00
Frank W. Hoit, postage . . . . . . 26.95
Frank W. Hoit, safety box rental 5.00
Frank W. Hoit, envelopes . . . . . 2.90
Murphy \& Snyder, receipts . . . . 3.50
GOLLEGTOR'S DEPARTMENT
Charles A. Durkee, salary ..... \$ 703.85
New Boston Press, tax warrants ..... 2.60
Murphy \& Snyder, tax bills ..... 22.00
C. A. Durkee, stamped envelopes ..... 85.92
Hobbs \& Warren, books and blanks ..... 27.23
Carrie B. Higgins, examination. ..... 1.50
ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT
Henry L. Haynes, salary ..... \$ 300.00
Warren H. Jones, salary ..... 300.00
Albert P. Durkee, salary ..... 300.00
Assessors' Auto Tax Service ..... 7.50
L. L. Aplin, transfer notices ..... 20.86
Maplewood Press, poll tax lists ..... 57.50
Henry L. Haynes, attending meet- ings ..... 15.00
Warren H. Jones, attending meet- ings ..... 15.00
Albert P. Durkee, attending meet- ings ..... 10.00
Henry L. Haynes, postage and tel- ephone ..... 8.03
Hobbs \& Warren, books and sup-plies49.94
Murphy \& Snyder, cards ..... 4.75
TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT
Horace F. Tuttle, salary ..... \$ 200.00
Horace F. Tuttle recording$\begin{array}{ll}\text { births, deaths and marriages } & 75.00\end{array}$
Horace F. Tuttle, telephone and postage ..... 31.45
P. B. Murphy, dog book and li- censes ..... 3.50
Hobbs \& Warren, blanks ..... 10.48
Murphy \& Snyder, envelopes ..... 11.75
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
T. F. Newton, salary ..... \$ 120.00
Hobbs \& Warren, book ..... 2.09
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION
Horace F. Tuttle, registrar ..... $\$ 50.00$
Daniel W. Sheehan, registrar ..... 20.00
Est. of E. J. Holton, registrar ..... 10.00
David R. Kinsley, registrar ..... 15.00
G. D. Chickering, registrar ..... 10.00
Arthur Wayne, election officer ..... 15.00
Harold Goughlin ..... 10.00
James W. Goughlin ..... 15.00
James Kinsley ..... 20.00
Timothy Hennessey ..... 15.00
Thomas Murray ..... 10.00
Willis Holden ..... 5.00
Bertram D. Hall ..... 15.00
A. R. Beach ..... 15.00
A. F. Davis ..... 10.00
J. J. Manning ..... 5.00
H. E. Holt ..... 5.00
David R. Kinsley ..... 20.00
T. F. Newton ..... 15.00
L. G. Hastings ..... 15.00
L. C. Hastings, placing booths ..... 3.75
Universalist Church, rent ..... 15.00
A. Brooks Parker, moderator ..... 25.00
Turners Public Spirit, notices ..... 8.50
R. S. Osterhout, ballots, warrants ..... 105.00
Murphy \& Snyder, warrants ..... 24.25

| Total general government $\ldots . .$. | $\$ 4,957.11$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Unexpended balance . . . . . . . | 42.89 |
|  | $\$ 5,000.00$ |

TREASURER'S AND GOLLEGTOR'S BONDS Appropriation ..... $\$ 270.00$
Paid:
American Surety Company ..... 270.00
BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
Appropriation ..... $\$ 800.00$
Transferred from Reserve fund ..... 48.61
Paid:
Edison Electric Ill. Go. ..... \$ 41.31
A. W. Davis Co., coal ..... 84.09
A. W. Davis Co., cement ..... 75
Tate \& Go., pipe ..... 1.00
T. F. Parker, floor dressing ..... 13.00
Mary A. Wood, work in hall ..... 12.50
Horace F. Tuttle, grades andmeasurements5.00
West \& South Water Supply ..... 12.00
J. W. Millbury, sharpen mower ..... 6.00
Edwin H. Hollowell, chimney ..... 25.00
No. Acton Concrete Construction Co., repairing road ..... 19.38
B. A. King, wiring Fire House ..... 34.00
F. W. Green, care of common ..... 8.54
Boston Gonsolidated Gas Co., sup- ply pipe ..... 10.56
Boston Consolidated Gas Co., service ..... 5.40
John S. Hoar, repairs at West Ac- ton Fire House ..... 18.00
A. W. Wayne, care of hall ..... 141.50
A. W. Wayne, care of clock ..... 43.85
A. W. Wayne, care of lawn ..... 43.85
North Acton Concrete Construc- tion Co., town grounds ..... 191.00
Standard Oil Co., asphalt ..... 125.73
POLIGE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation
Paid
Michael Foley, services ..... \$464.80
John T. McNiff, services ..... 355.95
Allen B. Frost ..... 204.20
C. A. Durkee ..... 33.47
George Braman ..... 51.41
Edward Johnston ..... 5.00
Charles Whitcomb ..... 31.50
C. W. Lawrence ..... 18.00
William Driscoll ..... 32.75
John Foster ..... 27.50
George Hayward ..... 40.25
M. Linsky \& Brother, suits ..... 66.50
Edison Electric Ill. Co. ..... 12.89
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 40.82
Portalite Co., light and charger ..... 63.50
A. W. Davis Co., paint and brushes ..... 12.25
Dr. O. L. Clark, prof. services ..... 5.00
Finney \& Hoit, revolver and shells ..... 26.32
Herbert MacKenzie, painting signs ..... 2.00
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 1.44
$\$ 848.61$FIRE DEPARTMENT
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,000.00$
Transferred from reserve fund . . 178.57
Paid:
Edison Electric Ill. Co. ..... \$62.71
N. E. Tel. \& Tel. Co. ..... 30.91
Salaries, three departments ..... 270.00
George Braman, janitor ..... 79.50
William G. Lawrence, janitor ..... 127.75
J. J. Manning, janitor ..... 120.00
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., coal ..... 111.53
Maynard \& Acton Oil Co. ..... 27.25
Acton Motor Co., repairs, supplies ..... 77.88
West Acton Dept., pay rolls ..... 85.00
South Acton Dept., pay rolls ..... 49.00
Acton Center Dept., pay rolls ..... 37.00
A. W. Davis, coal ..... 196.02
Metropolitan Dental Supply, oxygen ..... 2.40
Fritz Oelschlegal, belt ..... 1.00
William B. Holt, repairs ..... 29.06
West \& South Water Supply ..... 36.00
Finney \& Hoit, tires, batteries, and oil heater ..... 45.80
Combination Ladder Co., repairs ..... 322.25
A. H. Blanchard Co., equipment ..... 422.34
Fitzgerald's Garage, grinding valves ..... 7.60
H. S. MacGregor, expenses to Providence ..... 10.25
J. S. Moore, supplies ..... 5.25
R. S. Baker, gas and oil ..... 5.69
Herbert Hale, repairs ..... 11.88
E. P. Gates, irons ..... 4.50

| Appropriations |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| From overlay surplus . . . . . . . . . . . . . | $\$ 500.00$ |
| 400.00 |  |

Paid:
South Acton Dept., pay rolls ..... \$ 285.55
West Acton Dept., pay rolls ..... 350.20
Acton Center Dept., pay rolls ..... 70.33
A. B. Frost, pay rolls ..... 94.35
Boston \& Maine R. R. Co. ..... 1.62
McKesson-Eastern Drug Co., soda .................... . 16.52
C. C. Cullinane, trucking ..... 1.35
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 6.56
Unexpended balance ..... \$826.48
NEW HOSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 700.00$
Paid:
Boston Woven Hose \& Rubber Co. ..... \$ 670.40
Frank Hoit, trucking ..... 3.35
Unexpended balance ..... 26.25
FOREST FIRE TRUCK AND PUMP
Appropriation from overlay surplus$\$ 2.500 .00$
Paid:
Acton Motor Co. for truck, hose,labor, etc.$\$ 2,189.53$
Unexpended balance ..... 310.47
HYDRANT SERVIGE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 2,959.00$
Overlay surplus ..... 30.00
Paid:
West \& South Water Supply ..... 2,775.00Town of Concord193.00Unexpended balance21.00
$\$ 2,989.00$
AGTON GENTRE FIRE HOUSE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Paid:Edwin H. Hollowell, contract$\$ 1,000.00$
WHISTLE, SOUTH AGTON FIRE HOUSE
Appropriation ..... \$ 650.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 114.22
Paid:
Ingersoll Rand Co., compresser. ..... $\$ 192.00$
Boston \& Maine R. R., freight ..... 4.06
N. H. Tenney, pipe ..... 42.35
International Engine Works, air receiver ..... 200.00
Tate \& Company, pipe ..... 1.60
General Electric Co., switch ..... 14.40
A. Werby \& Company, motor ..... 58.50
Laffin's Express ..... 1.10
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 4.36
Earl Hayward, tubing, pipe ..... 8.00
Louis W. Bribe, whistle, alarmbox145.00
B. A. King, wiring motor ..... 60.00
H. T. Pratt, labor and supplies ..... 32.85
James O'Neil, teams ..... 16.00
James O'Neil, rope and pulleys ..... 13.44
James O'Neil, sundry expense ..... 14.60
$\$ 375.04$
Unexpended balance ..... 124.96
HEALTH AND SANITATION
Appropriation ..... $\$ 1,000.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 19.34
$\$ 1,019.34$
Paid:
Charles A. Durkee, services and expense as agent to Board of Health ..... $\$ 61.10$
Charles A. Durkee, paid for labor and supplies ..... 239.19
Hobbs \& Warren, books ..... 4.85
A. W. Davis Co., posts, wire, ce- ment ..... 17.97
Frank Farrar. labor ..... 6.25
James Kinsley, inspection ..... 52.00
G. A. Monroe. labor ..... 9.50
J. W. Davis, labor ..... 30.00
Byron Lumber Cio., lumber ..... 37.40
John Campbell, labor ..... 7.50
B. S. Holt, labor ..... 2.00
John S. Hoar, pump house ..... 39.60
No. Acton Concrete Const. Co., pump house ..... 22.50
So. Acton Coal \& Lumber Co., lumber ..... 34.87
Ellis Chemical Co., hose and coupling ..... 71.00
Tate \& Co., pipe and fittings ..... 31.97
Lunt Jillson Co., pump ..... 222.14
James E. Kinsley, labor ..... 14.50
Acton Motor Co., labor and sup- plies ..... 7.50
O. H. Geers, labor ..... 7.00
R. F. Durkee, salary ..... 15.00
R. F. Durkee, postage ..... 50
Dr. Frank E. Tasker, salary ..... 25.00
Dr. George H. Tuttle, salary ..... 10.00
Dr. E. A. Mayell, services ..... 50.00

## TOWN NURSE


E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 65.05
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies ..... 39.09
N. E. Metal Gulvert Co. culvert ..... 30.80
Harris Square Foundry Co., catch basin ..... 18.40
Ole Granberg, gravel ..... 52.80
Andres Christofferson, gravel ..... 148.50
Margaret Spinney, gravel ..... 46.80
James Kinsley, gravel ..... 26.70
William Kingsley, gravel ..... 8.25
A. C. Flagg, gravel ..... 4.50
O. F. Nelson, repairs ..... 4.10
A. H. Perkins, express ..... 1.15
J. Gagnon, gravel ..... 18.90
General Crushed Stone Co. ..... 300.12

$\$ 6,836.45$

## PAY ROLLS

Labor:
A. H. Perkins, superintendent ..... $\$ 1,431.50$
Joe Gallant ..... 850.25
L. W. Perkins ..... 10.00
P. Callan ..... 750.75
A. Dubey ..... 669.25
L. Morse ..... 250.45
George Rugg ..... 368.50
W. Scanlon ..... 548.00
A. Christofferson ..... 12.00
W. Larrabee ..... 898.75
S. H. MacGregor ..... 25.00
David Cook ..... 78.80
W. Anderson ..... 411.50
E. Anderson ..... 386.50
John Dwyer ..... 12.00
J. G. Hescock ..... 16.00
Bert Holt ..... 118.60
Frank Gallant ..... 72.00
R. Tupper ..... 8.00
G. Robbins ..... 15.50
R. Angier ..... 4.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 50
M. Sheehan ..... 34.40
T. Murray ..... 387.25
V. Estern ..... 6.00
William Munroe ..... 135.25
Paul Coughlin ..... 156.50
D. Hurley ..... 2.00
M. Sheehan ..... 11.20
R. Jones ..... 11.50
W. Perkins ..... 2.00
N. Perkins ..... 20.00
G. Briggs ..... 3.50
$\$ 7,707.45$
Trucks:
A. H. Perkins ..... \$ 702.75
R. Jones ..... 1,843.88
W. H. Kingsley ..... 212.50
A. B. Frost ..... 1,434.75
George Hayward ..... 753.25
Jesse Briggs ..... 55.00
George Morse ..... 30.00
G. Robbins ..... 597.51
5,629.64
Teams:
L. W. Perkins ..... \$ 766.00
W. H. Kingsley ..... 212.00
$\$ 978.00$
Total highways$\$ 21,151.54$
SGHOOL STREET AND LAWS BROOK ROAD
Unexpended balance from 1929 \$ 639.45
Received from County under Chapter 90 ..... 797.29
Received from State under Chapter 90 ..... 797.29
Tranferred from reserve fund ..... 1.03
$\$ 2,235.06$
Paid:
John J. Watkins, contract ..... \$1,939.18
Tar Products Corporation ..... 236.88
Standard Oil Cio. ..... 59.00
$\$ 2,235.06$
SUMMER STREET AND NEWTOWNE ROAD
Appropriations ..... $\$ 6,000.00$
Received from County under Chapter 90 ............. $6,000.00$Received from State underChapter 90 ............ 6,000.00
Paid:
N. E. Road Builders Ass'n, adv. ..... \$ 13.75
A. W. Davis, trucking ..... 67.50
Harrison Square Foundry ..... $18.40^{\circ}$
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, posts, frames and grates .. 106.06
A. J. Pontas, bounds 84.00
A. Dubey, labor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 24.00
P. Goughlin, labor 6.00
W. Munn, labor . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8.00
F. Gallant, labor 8.00
J. Gallant, labor . . . . . . . . . . . . 18.00
G. Robbins, labor . . . . . . . . . . . 14.00
P. Callan, labor . ............. 14.00
A. W. Perkins, truck . . . . . . . . . 4.50
J. J. Watkins, contract . . . . . . . 14,499.55
$\$ 14,885.76$
Unexpended balance
3,114.24
$\$ 18,000.00$
SNOW REMOVAL
Appropriation .............. $\$ 1,500.00$
Transferred from reserve fund 12.85
$\$ 1,512.85$Paid:John Pederson, removing snowand sanding\$1,220.52
John Pederson, salary as supt ..... 100.00
E. P. Gates, repairs ..... 10.50
A. H. Perkins, labor ..... 93.33
A. W. Perkins, truck ..... 15.00
P. Gallan, labor ..... 8.00
J. Gallant, labor ..... 23.50
A. Dubey, labor ..... 8.00
R. Jones, labor ..... 4.00
W. Larrabee, labor ..... 15.00
A. B. Frost, truck ..... 15.00

## STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation ..... $\$ 5,050.00$
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 23.26

[^3]Paid:Edison Electric Illuminating Co.$\$ 5,073.26$
PUBLIG WELFARE
Appropriation$\$ 2,500.00$

Paid:

| H. J. Billings, salary | \$ 75.00 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Waldo E. Whitcomb, salary | 40.00 |
| W. F. Davis, salary | 40.00 |
| Hobbs, \& Warren, book | 1.60 |
| Orders as approved by the Board of Public Welfare . . . . . . . . | 2,099.96 |
|  | \$2,256.56 |
| Unexpended balance | 243.44 |

> MILITARY AID
$\$ 2,500.00$
$\$ 200.00$
Appropriation
$\$ 200.00$

## STATE AID

$\begin{array}{lr}\text { Appropriation . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } & \$ 200.00 \\ \text { Transferred from reserve fund . . } & 73.00\end{array}$
Orders as approved by the Board
of Public Welfare ....... $\$ \$ 5.00$
Unexpended balance
155,00


## LIBRARY MAINTENANGE

| Appropriation . . . . . . . . . . . | $\$ 800.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Received from Heald fund .... | 233.70 |
| Transferred from reserve fund . . | 140.74 |

$\$ 1,174.44-$

Edison Electric Ill. Co. . . . . . . . . \$ 28.60
Dennison Mfg. Co., labels
1.08
A. F. Davis, librarian . . . . . . . . 153.00
A. F. Davis, janitor 153.00
A. F. Davis, writing, cards, bind-
ing, cataloging, etc. . . . . .
O. E. Houghton, transporting books
50.00

So. Acton Coal and Lumber Co.,
coal . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
222.86
E. F. Conant, insurance . . . . . . . 58.37

Robert S. Osterhout, slips . . . . . . 30.00
N. E. Nurseries, trees and shrubs 147.50
E. H. Longley, cement curb .... 36.20

Harlan E. Tuttle, agent for fund to build walks
50.00

No. Acton Concrete Const. Co.,
lawn ................... 5.00
No. Acton Concrete Const. Co., removing tree
$\$ 5.00$
Wm. Edward Slate Co., repairing roof
75.00

West \& South Water Supply Dis-
trict, installation service . .
M. E. Taylor \& Co., supplies . . . . 21.39

Horace F. Tuttle, book 1.00
$\$ 1,174.44$

## B00K ACGOUNT

| Appropriation |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Received from Library fund . . . . . . . . | $\$ 200.00$ |
|  | 588.80 |

$\$ 788.80$

Paid:
DeWolfe Fiske \& Co. ........ $\$ 375.16$
W. R. Hunting Co. . . . . . . . . . . . 180.82

Goodspeed Book Shop . . . . . . . 43.66
A. R. Worwrath, Inc. . . . . . . . . 16.82

Jean Karr . . . ................ . . 16.65
R. H. Hurkley Co. . . . . . . . . . . . . 44.50

Manual Arts Press
3.13
Ghas. Scribner Sons ..... 18.00
George H. B. Turner ..... 2.00
Houghton Mifflin Co. ..... 20.13
Herman Goldberger Agency ..... 48.80
Wm. A. Wilde Co. ..... 12.83
Pan American Union ..... 3.50
American Library Ass'n ..... 2.50
$\$ 788.50$
Unexpended balance ..... 30
GEMETERIES
Appropriation$\$ 1,200.00$
Paid:
F. W. Green, labor ..... $\$ 715.63$
F. W. Green, team ..... 40.75
W. H. Kingsley, labor ..... 57.10
W. H. Kingsley, truck ..... 150.05
W. H. Kingsley, gravel ..... 7.50
Hohnerden Co., weed destroyer ..... 82.11
West \& South Water Supply ..... 18.24
A. W. Davis, tools, paint and oil ..... 18.15
M. E. Taylor \& Co., tools ..... 4.25
Haymarket Hardware, hose ..... 28.00
Wm. Munn, mowing ..... 5.00
N. E. Nursery Co., maples ..... 37.50
J. W. Livermore, team ..... 7.50
Horace F. Tuttle, compiling re- port of lots in Perpetual care, writing and recording deeds, staking out streets and lots ..... 23.00
$\$ 1,194.78$ ..... 5.22
$\$ 1,200.00$
PERPETUAL CARE
Received interest on cemeteryfund$\$ 1,403.75$
Received Luke Blanchard fund ..... 30.50
Paid:
F. W. Green, labor ..... $\$ 1,434.25$

## SURPLUS AGGOUNT

Received from surplus account..Paid:
Albert Batley \& Son, flowers ..... $\$ 43.50$
Horace F. Tuttle, copying plans at
Mt. Hope, material and blue- prints ..... 40.00$\$ 83.50$MEMORIAL DAY
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
Marsten \& Wells, flags ..... \$ 16.50
Acton Cadet Band ..... 130.00
A. G. Jones, provisions ..... 5.07
B. S. Holt, cream ..... 1.60
Strong \& Tracy, provisions ..... 9.20
First Baptist church, rent ..... 10.00
Lovell Bus Lines ..... 30.00
George L. Towne, expense ..... 7.10
Albert Batley \& Son, flowers ..... 42.00
Boston Regalia Co., flag ..... 8.56
R. E. Wright, rolls ..... 2.40
A. W. Davis Co., paper ..... 1.40
$\$ 263.83$
Unexpended balance ..... 36.17
APRIL 19 TH CELEBRATION
Received from April 19th fund. .$\$ 119.95$
Paid:
City of Boston Printing Dept., programs ..... $\$ 15.00$
Curtis, \& Weld, rental of suits ..... 9.00
Murphy \& Snyder, printing ..... 22.00
Acton Cadet Band ..... 50.00
Edward Bush, dinners ..... 15.00
Wm. Rawitser, expenses ..... 8.95

## TOWN FOREST

Appropriation$\$ 150.00$Unexpeded150.00TOWN HALL GRADING
Appropriation ..... $\$ 500.00$
Paid:
North Acton Conerete Construc- tion Co. ..... 500.00
INSURANGE OF EMPLOYEES
Appropriation $\$ 500.00$
Tranferred from reserve fund ..... 49.11
$\$ 549.11$
Paid:
Paul R. Hederstedt ..... 549.11
DEMONSTRATION WORK IN AGRIGULTURE
Appropriation ..... $\$ 300.00$
Paid:
Middlesex County Extension Service ..... 300.00
QUIMBY SQUARE
Appropriation ..... 200.00
Paid:
West \& South Water Supply ..... $\$ 67.35$
A. W. Davis Co., paint and oil ..... 61.60
$\$ 128.95$
Unexpended balance ..... 71.05
$\$ 200.00$
GLAIMS AGAINST TOWN
Appropriation ..... 300.00
Paid:
Peter J. Shea for damages ..... $\$ 188.00$51.00$\$ 239.00$
Unexpended balance ..... 61.00
$\$ 300.00$
COMMITTE ON TERGENTENNIAL OBSERVANCEAppropriation100.00
Paid:
Stuart Allen, pine trees ..... \$ 11.00
Mildred Dusseault, episodes ..... 23.75
Ella Miller, episodes ..... 1.75
Marion Towne, wigs ..... 7.28
Norman Perkins, costume ..... 3.00
Julia McCarthy, expense ..... 3.67
Elise, Dickerman, expense ..... 2.78
E. L. Young, expense ..... 1.65
Jennie Tuttle, coat ..... 1.40
Mary Laffin, cloth and patterns ..... 8.05
Lillia Livermore, episode ..... 50
$\$ 64.83$
Unexpended balance ..... 35.17

$\$ 100.00$

## UNGLASSIFIED

Appropriation$\$ 500.00$
Paid:
W. \&. L. E. Gurley, suplies for seater ..... \$ 15.72
Boston Typewriter Co., typewriter ..... 45.00
Shaw Walker Co., cabinet ..... 85.60
Burroughs Adding Machine Co. ..... 150.00
Office Appliance, files ..... 5.00
Finney \& Hoit, flags ..... 12.00
Globe Newspaper-Go. ..... 13.20
Concord Journal ..... 2.00
O. D. Wood, care of flag ..... 5.00
Howard J. Billings, perambulating town lines ..... 5.00
W. F. Davis, town lines ..... 10.00
Waldo E. Whitcomb ..... 10.00
Dr. O. L. Clark, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. G. H. Tuttle, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. E. A. Mayell, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. J. H. Matzkin, reporting births .....  25
Dr. D. M. Fuchs, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. R. E. Hooper, reporting births ..... 75
Dr. E. J. Flaherty, reporting births ..... 50
Dr. R. K. Whitton, reporting births ..... 50
Dr. E. F. Ryan, reporting births ..... 25
Dr. J. D. Christie, reporting births ..... 1.00
Unexpended balance ..... 136.23
INTEREST ON REVENUE LOANS
Approriation ...............
$\quad$ Paid:
First National Bank of Ayer . . . .
Unexpended balance .........Unexpended balance584.44
$\$ 2,300.00$

## BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Appropriation
$\$ 9,500.00$
Paid:
Merchants' National bank, High School bonds
$\$ 5,000.00$
Assabet Institution for Savings, road note

2,000.00
First National Bank of Ayer, road note
700.00

Fire House note
800.00
$\$ 8,500.00$
Unexpended balance
1,000.00
$\$ 9,500.00$

## REVENUE LOANS

Amount outstanding Jan. 1, 1930 \$25,000.00 Received-First National bank of Ayer 70,000.00
$\$ 95,000.00$
$\$ 95,000.00$

## RESERVE FUND

Appropriation
$\$ 1,200.00$
Transferred to:
Highways
$\$ 351.54$
Building grounds 48.61

Fire department 178.57

Fire whistle 114.22

Health . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 19.34
School street and Law Brook rd.
1.03

Snow removal
12.85
Street lighting ..... 23.26
State aid ..... 73.00
Soldiers' relief ..... 100.97
Library ..... 140.74
Liability insurance ..... 49.11
Interest ..... 23.06
$\$ 1,136.30$
Unexpeended balance ..... 63.70
$\$ 1,200.00$
INTEREST ON FUNDED DEBT
Approapriation ..... \$2,276.00
Transferred from reserve fund ..... 23.06
Paid:
Merchants' National bank ..... \$2,023.06First National bank, Ayer196.00
Assabet Institution for Saving ..... 80.00

\$2,299.06

## REFUNDS

Paid 1930 tax ..... \$ 13.4.4
Paid 1929 excise tax ..... 29.38
Paid 1930 excise tax ..... 129.91
$\$ 172.73$
FINANGIAL STATEMENT
Amount due from collector Dec. 31, 1929 ..... $\$ 48,564.06$
Received State tax ..... 3,500.00
State highway tax ..... 1,573.20
State snow removal tax ..... 388.30
County tax ..... 5,283.64
County tuberculosis tax ..... 340.86
Town grant ..... 71,664.53
Added assessments ..... 40.32
Overlay, 1930 ..... 2,454.17
Motor vehicle excise tax ..... 8,512.34
$\$ 142,321.42$
Treasurer's cash on hand Dec. 31, 1929 ..... $\$ 18,656.26$
Received interest on taxes ..... 125,741.15
Paid:
State tax $\$ 3,500.00$
State highway tax 1,573.20
State snow removal ..... 388.33
County tax ..... 5,283.64
Gounty tuberculosis tax ..... 340.86
General government ..... 4,957.11
Treasurer's and collectors' bonds ..... 270.00
Buildings and grounds ..... 848.61
Police ..... 1,495.55
Fire department ..... 2,178.57
Brush fire ..... 826.48
Hose account ..... 673.75
Forest fire truck and pump ..... 2,189.53
Hydrant service ..... 2,968.00
Acton Genter fire house ..... 1,000.00
Whistle South Acton fire house ..... 764.22
Moth ..... 1,132.20
Tree Warden ..... 375.04
Health ..... 1,019.34
Town nurse ..... 2,048.06
Highways ..... 21,151.54
School street and Laws Brook road ..... 2,235.06
Summer street and Newtowne rd. ..... 14,885.76
Snow removal ..... 1,512.85
Street lighting ..... 5,073.26
Public welfare ..... 2,256.56
Military aid ..... 45.00
State aid ..... 273.00
Soldiers' relief ..... 600.97
Education ..... 44,534.21
Grading High school grounds ..... 3,500.00
Library ..... 1,174.44
Library book account ..... 788.50
Cemetery ..... 1,194.78
Cemetery perpetual care ..... 1.434.25
Cemetery surplus account ..... 83.50
Memorial Day ..... 263.83
April 19th celebration ..... 119.95
Town hall grading ..... 500.00
Liability insurance ..... 549.11
Demonstration work in agriculture ..... 300.00
Quimby Square ..... 128.95
Claims against town ..... 239.00
Committee on tercentennial ob- servance ..... 64.83
Unclassified ..... 363.77
Interest on funded debt ..... 2,299.06
Interest on revenue loans ..... 1.715 .56
Notes and bonds ..... 8,500.00
Revenue loans ..... 70,000.00
Refunds ..... 172.73
Refunds to State Treasury bank tax ..... 4.11
Treasurer and accountant's ad- justments for 1929 ..... 69.27
$\$ 219,866.34$
Abatements ..... \$ 486.24
Abåtements, excise tax ..... 357.74
Tax titles ..... 104.55
Amount due from the collector December 31, 1930 ..... 50,532.51
Treasurer's balance Dec. 31, 1930 ..... 17,892.23
\$69,373.27
\$289,239.61

## SURPLUS AGCOUNTS

| Balance January $1,1930 \ldots \ldots$ | $\$ 24,007.13$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| Surplus revenue $1930 \ldots . . .$. | $9,854.89$ |
| T'ax title revenue $1930 \ldots . .$. | 374.43 |

$\$ 34.236 .45$
Dr.
Revenue account 1930 . . . . . . . $\$ 10,000.00$
Accountants adjustments, amount due treasurer for $1929 \mathrm{ac}-$ count69.27
Difference in amount raised by assessors' for state snow re- moval .....  03
\$10,069.30
24,167.15

## OVERLAYS

$$
1928
$$

Balance January 1, 1930
$\$ 3,473.07$
Abatements
\$ 408.02
Transferred to overlay surplus
3,065.05
$\$ 3,473.07$
1929
Balance January 1, 1930
$\$ 2,781.55$
Balance, December 311930

| Overlay |  | 2,454.17 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abatements | \$ 78.22 |  |
| Refunds | 13.44 |  |
| Balance December 31, 1930 | 2,362.51 |  |
| \$2,454.17 |  |  |
| MOTOR VEHICLE EXGIS | TAX REVEN | NUE |
| Balance January 1, 1930 | \$2,396.57 | \$10,908.91 |
| 1930 tax | 8,512.34 |  |
|  |  |  |
| Dr. | \$159.29 |  |
| Abatements | 357.74 |  |
| To estimated receipts : |  |  |
| Account total collected . | 7,250.49 |  |
| \$7,767.52 |  |  |
| Balance December 31, 1930 |  | \$3,141.39 |

ASSETS

BALANGA SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1930
$\$ 25,000.00$
1.66
$3,114.24$

$3,141.39$
5631.01
$2,781.55$
$2,362.51$
$7,855.94$
$24,167.15$
\$68,987.75

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the books and accounts of the treasurer of the town of Acton, and also the books and records of the collector of taxes, and have found them correct. Notices have been sent to delinquent taxpayers.

HOWARD L. JONES, Town Accountant.

February 17, 1931.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## School Department

OF THE

## TOWN OF ACTON

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1930



THE NEWS-ENTERPRISE HUDSON, MASS.

## ORGANIZATION

## SGHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Lulu L. Clark, Chairman . . . . . . Term expires 1932
Mrs. Albertie Meade . . . . . . . . . . . . . Term expires 1933
Forest Bean . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Term expires 1932
Mrs. Oliver Wood . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Term expires 1931
Arthur Whitcomb . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Term expires 1931
Randall Woodworth . . : . . . . . . . . . . Term expires 1931

## SUPERINTENDENT

John F. Hough, So. Acton, Mass. Telephone 165
Office High School Building-Every afternoon except
Monday and Wednesday
SGHOOL PHYSIGIAN
Dr. E. A. Mayell
Acton
SGHOOL NURSE
Miss Lillian Frost
North Acton

## SGHOOL GALENDAR

First short term begins December 29, 1930.
First short term ends February 20, 1931.
Second short term begins March 2, 1931.
Second short term ends April 17, 1931.
Third short term begins April 27, 1931.
Third short term ends June 12, 1931, for Grades I. to VIII. inclusive.

Third short term ends June 19, 1931, for High School.
1931-1932

Fall term begins September 8, 1931.
Thanksgiving-School closes November 25, 1931, and re-opens November 30, 1931.

Fall term ends December 23, 1931.
First short term begins January 4, 1932.

## LEGAL HOLIDAYS

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, July 4, first Monday of September, October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (the day following when any of the first five days mentioned, the 12 th of October, or Christmas occurs on Sunday.)

Arbor Day falls on the last Saturday in April, and is not a legal holiday.

Flag Day falls on June 14, and is not a legal holiday. It should be observed by proper exercises by any school in session on that day.

## TEACHERS IN SERVICE, DECEMBER 31, 1930

## Center School:

Teachers App. Where educated Home address (Grades I-VI inclusive)

| Marion Towne | 1921 | Smith Gollege | Concord |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Edith Taylor | 1927 Wheelock | Littleton |  |
| Caroline Chase | 1928 | Bridgewater Normal | N. Bedford |

## South School:

(Grades I-VI inclusive)

| Julia McGarthy 1906 | Fitchburg Normal | So. Acton <br> Florence Merriam <br> 192 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Jessie Kinnevan | Framingham Normal | So. Acton |
| Framer |  |  |

West School:
(Grades I-VI inclusive)
Harriet Suchovsky 1929
Framingham Normal Clinton
Elise Dickerman 1926 Fitchburg Normal Ayer
Madeline Allard 1928 Lowell Normal Lowell

## High School Building:

| Ella Miller | 189 | Fr | Acton |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Helen Murray | 1928 | Tufts College | No. Attleboro |
| Elsie Bixby | 1927 | Framingham No |  |
|  |  | Boston University | Woodville |
| Marion Fuller | 1928 | Wheaton Col |  |
| Edith Ames | 1928 | Simmons College | Lit |
| Margaret |  | Boston U |  |
| Ho |  | Boston U |  |
| Walter Holt | 1928 | Dartmouth College | Ashburnham |
| John Houg | 27 | Middlebury; Har- | o. |
| Henry Hopkinson | 1930 | Nort |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Robert A. Dolan | 1930 | Clark University | Marlboro |

## Supervisors:

Music: Elmer Pierce, Gardner.
Drawing: Elizabeth Farmer, Worcester.
Manual Arts: Edward Steuer, North Adams.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the voters of Acton:
The School Committee herewith presents its annual report for the fiscal year 1930, and an estimate of its requirements for the year 1931.

The reports of the Superintendent and Supervisors are approved and are attached hereto. Several changes have been made in the school organization during the past year. Mr. Frank Toohey, owing to changes in his business, resigned from the board shortly after his re-election. Mr. Toohey was a member of the board for six years and was chairman at the time of his resignation. He also served on the building committee of the High School. Dr. Randall Woodworth was elected by the Selectmen and School Committee to fill the vacancy and Mrs. Charles Clark was elected chairman of the committee. Mr. Charles W. Lawrance, Superintendent and Principal of the High School, resigned his position with us in June and accepted a union superintendency in the towns of Kingston, Pembroke, Plympton, and Halifax. Mr. John Hough was elected to take his place. Much credit is due Mr. Lawrance for his able assistance in carrying out the wishes of the School Committee in the reorganization of the school system. Mr. Lawrance came to us at the time of our withdrawal from a superintendency union. He ably assisted us in organizing our own High School, a Junior High School, and in making many changes in the Elementary Schools.

Several changes have been made in the teaching force of the High School in the past year. The committee was pleased to advance Mr. Hough from his position as Assistant Principal of the High School to Principal and Superintendent of all schools. We were also fortunate in securing Mr. Henry Hopkinson as Assistant Principal of the High School. Other changes in the teaching force will be noted in the report of the superintendent.

The teachers in our High School are to be commended for the interest they have taken not only in the actual teaching of the students, but for the time taken and interest shown in sports and other school activities. The elementary teachers are also to be commended for their work and cooperation. Our schools are now rated Grade A, and the committee wishes at this time to thank all who have worked with them to bring the schools up to this high standard.

The committee would like to call your attention to the amount of work that has been accomplished in the way of
repairs, upkeep and new equipment. With much planning of the finances we were able to purchase some new equipment for the auditorium as well as the necessary equipment for the new class in Manual Arts instituted shortly after the school opened in September. We were also able to install flush closets in the West Acton School. While some other repairs that seemed quite necessary were postponed the condition of the toilets at the West Acton School was such that all other repairs were put aside to meet the conditions there. In 1926 half the roof at the South Acton School was shingled and it was the intention of the committee to have this work completed this year, but the fear that we would exceed our budget made us hold up this work. This year it will be necessary to complete this work. It will also be necessary to shingle the West Acton school building. One building should be painted, and there will be the usual necessary repairs in all four buildings. You will note however that $\$ 465.79$ of this year's appropriation is being turned back to the treasury.

Mr. Davis has co-operated with the committee in transporting pupils from the southeast, east, and north ends of the town, and while our transportation of pupils continues to be a problem wé hope that some improvement can be made in the near future, and Mr. Davis is working with us to bring this about.

Mr. Theron Newton, for many years janitor of the South Acton School, was compelled to resign in December on account of poor health. Mr. Lewis Hastings was elected in his place.

In preparing our budget for the year 1931 we are asking for the smallest amount that we honestly think should be used to operate our schools efficiently-the same as was granted last year. We thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

LULU L. GLARK, Ghairman of School Committee.

## COMPARISON OF GOST FOR OPERATING AGTON SCHOOIS

| Mass. School Fund | 1930 | 1929 | 1928 | 1927 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Part I. | \$3,610.00 | \$3,560.00 | \$3,740.00 | \$4,360.00 |
| Part II. | none | none | 2,978.41 | 1,227.92 |
| State wards and miscellaneous ........ | 151.76 | 131.25 | 276.43 | 439.62 |
| Total from state, | \$3,761.76 | \$3,691. | \$6,994.84 | 4 |
| Out of town tuitions, | 2,670.15 | 2,775.28 | 2,010.56 | 1,927.40 |
| Grand total | \$6,431.91 | \$6,466.53 | \$9,005.40 | \$7,954.94 |
| Expended from appropriation ...... | \$44,534.21 | \$44,845.92 | \$43,984.70 | \$43,987.6 |
| Net cost to town (raised by taxation) ............. | 38,102.30 | 38,379.39 | 34,979.30 | 36,032.73 |
| Appropriations | 45,000.00 | 45,000.00 | 44,000.00 | 44,000.00 |
| Special appropriation .............. | 3,500.00 |  |  |  |

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ESTIMATES FOR THE SUPPORT OF SGHOOIS FOR THE FISGAL YEAR 1931
Salary and other expenses of Superintendent . . \$ 3,000.00 Expenses of instruction ..... 28,000.00
Expenses of operation ..... 6,500. 00
Auxiliary agencies ..... 4,300.00
Outlays ..... 1,000.00
Total ..... $\$ 45,000.00$

# SUMMARY OF EXPENSES FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1930 

## GENERAL CONTROL

Salaries and other expenses of superintendentand truant officers, clerk$\$ 3,008.28$
Total control ..... $\$ 3,008.28$
EXPENSES OF INSTTRUCTION
Salaries, Supervisors, Teachers:
High School and elementary ..... \$26,595.13
Text books, high school ..... 337.69
Text books, elementary ..... 315.11
Stationery and supplies, high school ..... 806.05
Stationery and supplies, elementary ..... 482.42
Total instruction ..... 28,536.40
EXPENSES OF OPERATION
Wages of janitor, high school building ..... $\$ 1,300.00$
Fuel, high school ..... 779.44
Miscellaneous ..... 864.93
Total High School building $\$ 2,944.37$

|  | Center | South | West |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Janitor | \$640.00 | \$760.00 | \$720.00 |
| Fuel | 309.01 | 460.13 | 316.62 |
| Misc. Op. | 95.37 | 177.37 | 103.30 |
| Bld. total | 1044.38 | \$1397.50 | \$1139.92 |

Total Elementary operating ..... $\$ 3,581.80$
Total operating High school and elementary ..... $\$ 6,526.17$
Maintenance and repairs:
High school$\$ 364.50$
Center South West
Elem. $\$ 158.01 \quad \$ 146.20$ ..... $\$ 1885.91$
Total elementary repairs ..... $\$ 2,190.12$
Total repairs ..... $\$ 2,554.62$
Health ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transportation ..... 3,450.00
Total ..... $\$ 3,650.00$
NEW EQUIPMENT
Security Fence Gompany ..... $\$ 134.00$
Horace Partridge Co. ..... 89.74
Atlantic Motion Picture Co. ..... 35.00
Total new equiment ..... $\$ 258.74$
Total expended ..... $\$ 44,534.21$
Unexpended balance ..... 465.79$\$ 45,000.00$
SPECIAL APPROPRIATION H. S. GROUNDS Greenough Construction Company $\$ 3,500.00$
Grand total ..... $\$ 48,500.00$
PAID OUT FOR SUPPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1930
GENERAL GONTROL
Superintendent, salary ..... $\$ 2,006.92$
Superintendent, clerk hire ..... 795.00
Superintendent, travel expenses ..... 30.07
Total ..... $\$ 2,831.99$
OFFICE EXPENSES AND ENFORCEMENT OF LAW
New England Tel. \& Tel. Co., telephones ..... $\$ 47.24$
The Hadley Press, Inc., letterhead paper ..... 22.00
Walter Gurrier, envelopes and stamps ..... 50.98
Yawman \& Erbe, folders, office cards ..... 8.15
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 35
Journal of Education, magazine ..... 6.00
Wright \& Potter, summary sheets ..... 4.64
Thomas Groom \& Company, minutes book ..... 5.15
Daniel MacDougall, census ..... 30.00
The MacMillan Co., office book ..... 88
Sanderson's, calendar pad ..... 90
$\$ 176.29$

## EXPENSE OF INSTRUGTION

Supervisor's salary, music ..... $\$ 400.00$
Supervisor's salary, drawing ..... 280.00
Manual Training Supervisor ..... 32.62
Total ..... $\$ 712.62$
Principal's salary, High school ..... $\$ 1,312.51$
Teachers salaries, High school:
John Hough ..... $\$ 1,260.00$
Henry Hopkinson, four months ..... 800.00
Robert Dolan, four months ..... 480.00
Thelma Eaton, six months ..... 780.00
Walter Holt ..... 1,740.00
Elsie Bixby ..... 1,700.00
Margaret Boornazian ..... 1,340.00
Marion Fuller ..... 1,440.00
Total High school teachers ..... $\$ 9,540.00$
Teachers salary, elementary:
Ella Miller ..... $\$ 1,400.00$
Helen Murray ..... 1,240.00
Gyneth Prew, six months ..... 660.00
Edith Ames ..... 1,270.00
Marion Towne ..... 1,320.00
Edith Taylor ..... 1,220.00
Caroline Chase ..... 970.00
Julia McCarthy ..... 1,400.00
Florence Merriam ..... 1,220.00
Jessie Kinnevan ..... 1,020.00
Harriet Suchovsky ..... 1,220.00
Madeline Allard ..... 970.00
Elise Dickerman ..... 1,120.00
Total elementary ..... $\$ 15,030.00$
Total expenses of Instruction ..... $\$ 26,595.13$
EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION TEXT BOOKS (HIGH)
Gregg Publishing Company, shorthand books ..... $\$ 29.22$
The Burnham Antique Book Store, geographic ..... 58
G. C. Birchard \& Company, music books ..... 2.00
Benj. H. Sanborn \& Company, geometry books ..... 29.58
The John G. Winston Company ..... 57.01
Ginn \& Company, Business English, music books ..... 75.11
Allyn and Bacon ..... 40.63
Scott, Foresman \& Company ..... 9.93
D. C. Heath \& Company ..... 9.87
Teachers' College, Columbia University ..... 2.75
Charles Scribner Sons ..... 1.68
World Book Company ..... 41.44
Herman Goldberger Agency, magazines ..... 30.00
M. Witmark \& Sons, music books .....  5.00
Edward E. Babb Company ..... 2.89
Total text books (High) ..... $\$ 337.69$
TEXTS BOOKS—ELEMENTARY
Scott, Foresman \& Company ..... \$33.44
F. A. Owen Publishing Company ..... 24.22
Frank G. Carpenter Foundation, reference books ..... 43.20
National Home \& School Association, ref, books ..... 43.50
D. C. Heath \& Company ..... 32.84
Silver Burdett Company ..... 72.29
Charles Scribner \& Sons ..... 4.87
The MacMillan Company ..... 13.80
Webster Publishing Company ..... 30.83
Ginn \& Company ..... 11.60
Edward E. Babb ..... 4.52
Total Textbooks, Elementary ..... $\$ 315.11$
Total Textbooks ..... $\$ 652.80$
STATIONERY AND SUPPLIES (HIGH)
Milton Bradley Company, paper, flags ..... $\$ 33.35$
Ginn \& Company, forms, class books ..... 7.37
J. L. Hammett Company ..... 270.17
G. G. Birchard, music ..... 7.33
Underwood Typewriter Company, roll ..... 4.00
Finney \& Hoit ..... 14.15
O. H. Howe, flowers ..... 4.25
Bon Marche, ribbon for graduation ..... 5.92
L. G. Smith \& Corona Type Co., 3 typewriters ..... 102.50
Vannah Lithograph Company ..... 32.40
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 1.75
Kinney Brothers \& Watkins ..... 10.14
Wright \& Potter Co., record cards ..... 4.16
Murphy \& Snyder, chemistry paper ..... 4.25
Royal Typewriter Company, 3 typewriters ..... 97.50
Central Scientific Co., chemicals ..... 43.65
Keystone View Co., picture slides ..... 31.45
Edward E. Babb Co., envelopes, ink ..... 1.80
Atlantic Motion Picture Co., rules ..... 1.40
Harter Publishing Co., maps ..... 4.13
The John G. Winston Co., business forms ..... 8.58
John G. Ruth Co. ..... 68.53
The Traders Carbon Supply Co., paper, ribbons ..... 10.42
Southwestern Publishing Co., bookkeeping forms ..... 24.05
Pierce's Express ..... 2.00
Yawman \& Erbe Manufacturing Co. ..... 10.80
Total Stationery and Supplies (High) ..... $\$ 806.05$

## STATIONERY AND SUPPLIES (ELEMENTARY)

Milton Bradley Company ..... $\$ 186.39$
J. L. Hammett Company ..... 168.14
World Book Company ..... 24.59
Kenney Brothers \& Watkins, pencils ..... 10.15
Webster Publishing Company ..... 30.83
Edward E. Babb ..... 3.84
J. B. Lippincott Company ..... 28
Benj. H. Sanborn Company ..... 22.50
J.ohn M: Ruth Company ..... 19.83
Wilbur D. Gilpatrick ..... 15.87
Total Stationery \& Supplies (Elementary) ..... $\$ 482.42$
Total Instruction \& Supplies ..... $\$ 28,836.40$
OPERATING EXPENSES——HIGH SGHOOL
Janitor, Fuel and Miscellaneous
Daniel MacDougall, Janitor ..... $\$ 1,300.00$
South Acton Coal \& Lumber Co. ..... 779.44
Miscellaneous:
Albert E. Sims, wire brushes ..... \$ 1.50
A. W. Davis, supplies, seeds, steel wool ..... 82.51
J. A. MacPherson, hardware ..... 10.87
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co. ..... 3.04
Fuelite Natural Gas Co. ..... 112.00
Manufacturing Equipment \& Engineering Co. ..... 1.33
L. P. Boeske, cleaning cesspool ..... 40.00
Strong \& Tracey, floor mops ..... 90
George Gutteridge, thermometer ..... 2.00
West and South Water Supply ..... 39.48
Mrs. Julia Kelley ..... 3.00
South Acton Coal and Lumber Co. ..... 39.40
Masury-Young Co., soap, paper towels ..... 68.63
Maydale Spring Water Co., distilled water ..... 75
C. B. Dodge Co., disinfectants ..... 40.35
Dallman Company ..... 36.50
J. S. Moore, cutter ..... 1.25
Laffin's Bedford Express ..... 6.45
Department of Correction, brushes ..... 5.45
Dura Binding Co., rebinding books ..... 58.45
West Disinfecting Company ..... 22.97
Allen Chair Company ..... 5.64
Cooper Radio Electric Company ..... 4.50
Commissioner of Public Safety ..... 5.00
Walter Holt, transportation and express ..... 5.71
E. P. Gates, iron and bolts ..... 3.00
Charles E. Smith, fixing net, bolts ..... 24.77
William B. Holt, wire brushes ..... 10.95
Atlantic Motion Picture Co. ..... 6.30
G. G. Gullinane, transportation, express ..... 2.13
O. F. Nelson, iron works ..... 21.50
Power ..... 104.13
Light ..... 94.47
Total miscellaneous ..... $\$ 864.93$
Total operating expense-High school ..... $\$ 2,944.37$
Operating Expense-Elementary

|  |  | Center | South | West |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Janitors | $\ldots$. | $\$ 640.00$ | $\$ 760.00$ | $\$ 720.00$ |
| Fuel $\ldots . .$. | 309.01 | 460.13 | 316.62 |  |
|  |  | $\$ 949.01$ | $\$ 1,220.13$ | $\$ 1,036.62$ |

Total janitors and fuel ..... $\$ 3,205.76$
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Miscellaneous Operating Expense-ElementaryCenter SouthWest
West and South Water Supply $\$ 19.81$ ..... $\$ 12.00$ ..... $\$ 12.00$
South Acton Coal \& LumberGo.14.119.23
Masury-Young Co., soap, oiltowels22.87$22.88 \quad 22.87$
Dept. of Correction ..... 3.62 ..... 3.62 ..... 3.62Theron Newton, mowing
lawn, gravel ..... 7.00
Larkin Lumber Co., lum- ber ..... 25.14
Dura Binding Co. ..... 8.86 ..... 8.868.88O. F. Nelson34.80
8.77
West Disinfecting Co. ..... 8.788.76George H. Reed4.50
South Acton Coal \& Lumber ..... 22.13
John Evans, supplies2.25
A. W. Davis, supplies ..... 6.71
Edward E. Babb Co. ..... 8.46
M. E. Taylor, supplies ..... 2.00
Edison Electric Illuminating Company
$\frac{20.98}{\$ 95.37} \quad \frac{13.55}{\$ 177.37} \quad \frac{28.98}{\$ 103.30}$
Total$\$ 376.0$ '
Total elementary operating expense ..... $\$ 3,581.80$
MAINTENANGE AND REPAIR-HIGH SGHOOLOliver D. Wood, beading desks$\$ 6.90$
R. A. Fife Corporation, chair braces ..... 12.00
A. W. Davis, frosted glass ..... 3.25
Burditt \& Williams Co., locks repaired ..... 3.93
Albert E. Sims, repairs ..... 180.37
Charles C. Smith, repairs ..... 48.95
R. H. Austin, repair on electric clock ..... 19.50
L. T. Fullonton, setting glass ..... 77.90
Robert E. Prentiss ..... 11.70
Total maintenance and repairs-High ..... $\$ 364.50$
MAINTENANGE AND REPAIR-ELEMENTARY

| Center | South | West |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| $\$ 23.11$ | $\$ 16.05$ | $\$ 11.70$ |
| 120.90 | 1.00 | 31.40 |
| 14.00 | 127.65 | 18.58 |
|  | 1.50 |  |

E. Z. Stanley
L. T. Fullonton, setting glass ..... $14.00 \quad 127.65$ ..... 18.58 .....
1.50 .....
1.50
George Gutteridge
George Gutteridge
8.18
Albert E. Sims
60.00
60.00
E. H. Longley, cement floor
1,701.60
1,701.60
William B. Holt
William B. Holt ..... 54.45
Board of Water Commissioners ..... 54.45
$\$ 158.01 \quad \$ 146.20$ ..... 1,885.91
Total Maintenance and repairs-Elementary ..... \$2,190.12
Health
High School:
Doctor Mayell, school examinations ..... $\$ 50.00$
Elementary:
Doctor Mayell, school examinations ..... 150.00
Total Health ..... $\$ 200.00$
Transportation
A. W. Davis ..... $\$ 3,450.00$
Outlays
Greenough Construction Co., high school grounds ..... $3,500.00$
New Equipment
Security Fench Company ..... $\$ 134.00$
Horace Partridge Company ..... 89.74
Atlantic Motion Picture, screen ..... 35.00
Total new equipment ..... $\$ 258.74$
Total expended during fiscal year ..... $\$ 48,034.21$

## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Committee and voters of Acton:
I herewith offer my annual report.
During the past year there have been some changes in the teaching staff of the Acton Schools. The staff of the graded schools has remained intact, whereas two men have entered into the system at the High school in the places of Miss Eaton and Miss Prew, who left Acton for more advanced positions at the end of the last school year. One of these men, Mr. Hopkinson, has had years of experience preparing boys for college in a private school in Boston, and the other, Mr. Dolan, is a young man with much athletic ability, as his football team of last fall testified. Besides this, he is a good teacher. The older members of the teaching force have continued with their usual high grade of instruction, and I feel very much encouraged and inspired by the assistance and good counsel tendered to me on all sides since my rise from the ranks to that of leader here. It seems right and proper to take this opportunity of expressing appreciation for the confidence placed in me by the School Committee and other citizens and groups of Acton, and for the co-operation they have all shown.

The curriculum of the school continues to offer the same high grade of instruction that it has in the past, preparing for college those who desire to go to college, and giving a very good commercial course. This year there is offered a course in commercial English apart from all other English classes, which emphasizes business letter writing and other features of the subject primarily for immediate use in business. This has made it possible to do more detailed and definite work with the college preparatory group, a class of fifteen to eighteen who are studying with a definite purpose to take college entrance examinations.

It should be borne constantly in mind that, although the school and its curriculum has to be governed mightily by that small percentage of its whole body who go to college, the greater part of young people terminate their schooling with their graduation from high school. Therefore, it should be the care and desire of supervisors and preceptors to offer an immediately useful and practicable curriculum for the majority.

We have always had a course in Household Arts for Junior High girls and this year we have instituted a course in Manual Arts for the boys. Although we are already crowded for room in the building we have found a corner where a bench has been set up and a miniature shop established. Thus, once a week, under the guidance of Mr. Steuer, a Fitchburg Normal School senior, Junior High boys meet and
learn the use of tools, such as hammer, saw, and soldering iron. I hope that at some time we can make this a full time course, giving it to Junior High boys two or three times a week and offering it to at least the Freshman boys of the Senior High school.

My stand is that, while it is very desirable for boys and girls to go to college, in fact practically necessary for some, and a person never is sure that he has advised correctly. But it is becoming of just as great importance today to know when to advise boys and girls not to go to college as it is to help them get there. Many a good blacksmith has been spoiled by a college education, and there is just as much glory and honor in being a good blacksmith, carpenter, or farmer as there is in being a good doctor. lawyer, or teacher.

## PHYSIGAL TRAINING

According to the state laws relative to education there should be in every public high school a time set aside for definite physical training. Therefore in trying to fulfill the law, this year there has been put into the curriculum a specified time for each pupil to have supervised physical training twice a week. This is a requirement of the school, and the only way that any one can avoid it is by a doctor's certificate or its equivalent. Since instituting such a course there has been noticed an improved attitude toward study and also a more rugged general health of the school.

And not only have we endeavored to give pupils the advantage of physical exercise and the healthful attitude toward life that play gives, but we are also developing leaders. Two or three of the older girls have classes of younger girls and some of the older boys who have had the advantage of military training and athletics are taking over groups of the Junior High school boys.

Through the kindness of Mr. Blanchard and the School Committee a net and backboards have been provided for the auditorium, thus making it possible to carry on our physical training periods throughout the winter. I voice the opinion of the whole school, I think, when I try to express appreciation for this movement. And I can assure all concerned that the advantages derived from that room will more than compensate any expense in fitting it out. Right here, I wish to make it known that the Edwards-Quimby Post of the American Legion has made a contribution of thirty dollars to be used for athletic purposes in the grade schools. And I am not forgetting all the contributions that were made last fall for the High School Athletic Association, including the supper tendered the football team by the Brotherhood of the Universalist church. These manifestations of good will, faith, and interest in the school and its management has been a source of encouragement and inspiration to your superintendent.

Last year considerable money was spent in putting the grounds about the High School in condition. There should, however, be something done on the grounds each year. There is need for several loads of loam all over the playing field, but since there is so much to be spent in painting and shingling some of the other school buildings it does not seem justifiable to spend too much on other improvements this year. I should be glad to see one or two tennis courts made at the rear of the building at some future date, and something done in the way of setting out trees on the side of the back road.

## INSTRUGTION IN THE SGHOOLS

From my visits to grade schools and to the classes of the High schools, which have been made on an average of once a week, I am convinced that the instruction is good. Of course, all teachers make many mistakes, as do other people, and they would be the last to deny such a statement. Sometimes their mistakes, even when trivial, are a source of annoyance to them. They spend many hours trying to analyze and correct those mistakes. But it ought to be kept in mind that we as parents may have from one to four children in school; the teacher has from fifteen to thirty or thirty-five.

The greatest amount of good can come from teaching in proportion to the greatest amount of work teachers can do with individual pupils, but in the larger classes there is very little opportunity to teach children individually.

In cases where there is doubt in the parent's mind about the standing of a child or his treatment, the best and most satisfactory thing to do is to visit the room and teacher in her work with the class. Have a good talk with her in a friendly manner. You can tell her facts about your child that will be of great assistance to her, and she can tell you another point of view that you may not have been able to get in the home. Sometimes when children begin to go to school they develop, by their associations for a while, in a manner that parents had not expected. By confidential conferences with teachers very often a child may be saved, and such conferences about our children are worth all the time and effort they take.

Finally, children should be kept in school every day, except for sickness. It is the law and when parents keep their children out for prolonged periods it makes an unpleasant task for the superintendent, who is in duty bound to see that children are in school. And they should learn the habit of punctuality. A boy or girl who develops a habit of getting to school late is handicapped throughout life, for we are merely compositions of habits. The young mind is ordinarily quick to grasp things, is pliable and easily worked upon. One thing that parents in every home can do for a child is to rouse him out of bed and get him to school on time. In
after years he may be able to tell some news reporter that his extreme old age or his high position and success in life is due to the fact that his father or his mother made him get up in the morning and get to school on time.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN F. HOUGH, Superintendent.

## CLASS OF 1930

What our graduates are doing:

Ruth Berglind
Mildred Brill
Roy Cann
Martin Duggan
Judith Dunn
Levi Dunivan
James Edney
Anna Flerra
Eva Flerra
Mildred Fullonton
Helen Grala
Sterling Hager
Roland Johnson
Glenna Jones
Pauline Nelson
Mildren Polep
Louise Richardson
Dorothy Roche
Gertrude Schnair
Edmund Shea
Charles Sherry
Helen Taylor
Alberta Taylor
John Whitcomb
Hope Whitney
A. H. S. Post Graduate
A. H. S. Post Graduate

At Home
At Home
At Home
Amherst Agricultural College
Amherst Agricultural College
Burdett College
Burdett College
Connecticut
Housekeeper
Northeastern University
Purdy's
At Home
A. H. S. Post Graduate

University of Southern California Wilfred Academy Mt. Auburn Hospital
Acton Motor Company
Carney Hospital
Surveying
Dodson's Lunch
A. H. S. Post Graduate
A. H. S. Post Graduate Burbank Hospital

## Acton High School Commencement Program, June 19, 1930

## Blanchard Hall

Entrance Marches
Invocation
Salutatorian

Mona Servais
Rev. Arthur Jeffries
Sterling Hager

Chorus: "Happy Days," "Lady June"
Ghorus: Selection from Gilbert \& Sullivan's Operettas
Speaker: Mr. Carl Schrader
Chorus: "A Moonlight Serenade"
Solo: "Memories"
Music: (a) "Pickininny Sandman"-TTalbert
(b) "Tinkle-OO"-Forman

Class History
Chorus: "Sympathy" -Friml
"Fallen Leaf"-Logan
Music: Vocal solos Gertrude Schnair
"The End of a Perfect Day"-Bond
Chorus: "Pilgrims Chorus"-Wagner
Valedictory:
Mildred Brill
Awarding of Prizes
Presentation of Diplomas
Mrs. Charles Clark
Chairman of the School Committee
Reception to Seniors

## REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF DOMESTIC SCIENCE

Mr. John Hough, Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.

Dear Sir:
The eighth grade is the only class to have sewing this year because of an extra class in cooking.

The first half of the year the pupils were allowed to bring such garments as they wished to sew on, provided the garment was such that they were capable of doing the work right. The last half of the year, along with their regular sewing, they are to make sample books, which include samples showing the use of machine attachments.

In the cooking classes very little time is given to discussion, as the classes are held the two periods preceding the lunch period. The first period and a half is given over to the cooking lesson, and the rest to luncheon preparation.

Each pupil is responsible for some cleaning in the kitchen, and some part in the luncheon preparation, each week bringing her new and different duties.

The Cafeteria is now selling chocolate pasteurized milk in bottles, which is felt to be of much value to the pupils.

The Cafeteria has the following report to make:

$\$ 1,586.97 \quad \$ 1,586.97$
Respectfully submitted,
EDITH M. AMES.

## GAFETERIA REPORT

January 1930-January 1931
Cash on hand January 1, 1930, \$22.98.
Sales Supplies
January . . . . . . . . . . . . \$153.15 \$164.03
February . . . . . . . . . . . . 121.47 112.36
March .............. $167.92 \quad 166.72$
April ............... $130.25 \quad 134.08$
May ................. $177.12 \quad 174.83$
June .................. $123.50 \quad 134.24$
September . .......... 182.23 181.67
October .............. $211.92 \quad 199.33$
November . . ......... 138.14 137.07
December ............ $158.29 \quad 154.17$
$\$ 1,563.99 \quad \$ 1,558.50$
Gash on hand January 1, 1931, $\$ 28.47$.
Respectfully submitted,
EDITH M. AMES.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mr. John F. Hough, Superintendent of Schools, So. Acton, Mass.

Dear Mr. Hough:
There is a general improvement in the condition of music in the grades, both from the standpoint of the work done by the teachers and that as expressed by the rising standard of ability on the part of the pupils. A minimum of fundamentals is taught and many of the teachers are able to give enough application to "set" the lessons. When this is accomplished there is immediate application in songs.

Success in music is, after all, attained in about the same manner as are successes in other fields of education. It is a matter of practice. If regular time is given and there is a definite aim in view, results are bound to come-and with them, confidence and a certain degree of satisfaction conducive to added interest and effort. It is a cumlative affair.

It takes some time for teachers to arrive at the point where they can efficiently help to carry on the work. One of the most successful primary teachers I have ever known is unable to sing a tune. However, she knows her limitations and more than makes up in other phases of the work. She exerts a powerful influence for good in the character of the work her pupils do in later grades. In short, a good teacher can teach anything (she chooses to). It is a matter of common sense in direction and establishing habits of industry, of letting the pupils do the work. I think teachers have a better idea of the part they have to do than they did a number of years ago, as regards employment of time during a supervisor's visit.

The practice of part-singing is a team job; it is a lesson in cooperation and in no other subject are the demands so continuous or more exacting.

In dealing with such a situation, one is constantly beset with problems of administration. To illustrate, if one is dealing with the whole high school there is the question of age differences. Between a freshman and a sophomore there is a considerable one but that between a freshman and a senior is greater than that in any equivalent period in human life-and the senior feels it. To continue, let us consider what a boy endures from grades six to twelve:

1. Thickening of vocal cords and changing voice, necessitating
2. Reading and singing a third part.
3. Subsequent changes to bass, requiring practice with a fourth part.
4. Also learning to read from a new clef, involving new positions of pitch names.
5. Learning to pitch the speaking voice lower so as to avoid the "yodling" effect due to too high pitching around that point where head, matches on to chest tone.

Then, too, there are problems having to do with repertory. What material shall we choose for a given period? Is this song one they have had too much? Is that song one that grades too hard as to time? Is the text one that is likely to appeal? Is the tune one that is likely to interest the student body as a whole? How long shall we try it this period? And we might go on.

We are doing fairly well with grades seven and eight considering that we have but forty-five minutes per week. About ninety minutes of constructive work per week is standard. Insufficient practice retards development of power in reading and consequent singing of many songs.

I have been impressed with the improvement in the senior high school. There are a number of pupils who have a great deal of talent.

I wish to thank all concerned for the purchase of the new high school song books. We have been rather limited in student songs-those of a light popular nature to mix with more serious ones. This need has been well-met in the new material. In a check-over of the songs it was found that there were over one hundred fifty songs which did not appear in the other books we have, which is quite good considering that most assembly song books are a re-hash of material found in a large number of similar ones. I am sure this will prove a good investment.

I wish to thank all teachers and others for help and cooperation.

> All of which is respectfully submitted,

Yours very truly,
ELMER E. PIERCE,
Supervisor of Music.
January 18, 1931.

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

> Mr. John Hough, Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.

## Dear Sir :

I herewith submit my annual report as school physician.
Physical examinations were completed in November.
During the year we have had very little contagious disease, and the general health of the school population has been very good.

Posture of the pupils has improved noticeably.
Our pre-school clinics are working to very good advantage, and we see healthier children entering school.

Parents are cooperating to make our work more worth while and we appreciate it.

I wish to thank the superintendent, teachers and nurse for their valuable assistance.

Details will be found in the nurse's report.
Respectfully submitted,

E. A. MAYELL, M. D.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

> Mr. John Hough,
> Superintendent of Schools, Acton, Mass.

## Dear Sir:

The physical examinations for the year were completed early in October with the following result:

Total number of examinations by doctor . . . . . . . . . 664
Defects found:
Tonsils and Adenois . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 34
Glands . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 150
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Heart . . . ............................................. 25

Report of school examinations during the school year done by the nurse:
Special examinations ..... 1963
Simple dressings ..... 215
Individual talks on Personal Hygiene ..... 120
Sanitary inspections of all buildings ..... 148
Home visits ..... 260
Pupils excluded from school because of communicable disease ..... 30
Number of children taken home ill ..... 53

In March three pupils were taken to Littleton for X-ray and the same three taken to Ayer for physical examinations. These were the remainder of the children examined by the State Department for under weight three years ago. They had all improved to such an extent that the doctors for the department did not consider it necessary for them to return another year for examination.

A dental contest was held among the three grade schools, a banner being awarded to the school having the largest number of children with all dental work completed by June first. The banner went to the West Acton school.

The Schick test for diphtheria was given to twenty-seven pupils in May. Seven of this number were positive and all but one of the seven received three more doses of T. A. T. Twenty-one received it for the first time, five of these were pre-school children, to enter school in September.

The summer round up conferences were held early in June for the second year. The response was much more satisfactory as nearly half of the entering classes were examined at this time by the school doctor, with the exception of one or two. The remainder were examined by their family physician before September 1.

Many of the defects were corrected and in most instances the children came on the first day of school with their birth and vaccination certificates, thus, saving delay for the teachers in complying with the state laws. We feel very grateful for the hearty cooperation of the parents in this matter.

Three children were taken to Bolton Summer camp this year. All showed great improvement for the treatment there. We owe much to our local T. B. League for their generous help in making this possible.

The lower grades are using health posters to good advantage this year.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN E. FROST, R. N.

## REPORT OF DRAWING SUPERVISOR

"The eye so soon as ever it is opened beholds all the stars of our hemisphere." The physical eye beholds much but without the interpretation on an aid of our mental and spiritual eye things are meaningless. We feel, therefore, that it is important that the child should learn to see and observe-and seeing, to comprehend. Without mental observation and vision certainly a person cannot express himself with pencil or paint brush or other means of graphic expression. And so, while we strive to help the pupil to express himself on paper, we also try to sharpen his powers of observation and mental vision.

In the lower grades we have tried to give a foundation in color design, representation, construction, and picture study and appreciation. It is important that these fundamentals be taught from the beginning since all the art work in the upper grades is based on these five principles-increasing, of course, in difficulty according to the grade.

Problems of drawing and construction for the various seasonal holidays were arranged so that the children had an opportunity to design and make their own Halloween masks, Thanksgiving place cards, Valentines, May baskets, etc. When the children have an opportunity to apply their lessons in color and design to problems of particular significance to themselves then they begin to realize and appreciate fhe laws of design and color and careful workmanship.

Posters were submitted to the Society for Prevention of Gruelty to Animals in the annual poster contest, and awards were received as commendation for the effort put into the project by the children.

From time to time picture study and appreciation of some of the masterpieces of art have been our lesson topics and we have had the opportunity of seeing these pictures through the courtesy of the Worcester Art Museum.

The cooperation and help of the teacher is very essential for successful work in the art period and I am very grateful for the cooperation I have received.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH A. FARMER.

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